

HOT AIR '24 *DELUXE*

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The year in politics and law so far....



ronaldfilipkowski 2h

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When you look behind the facade of the fake tough guy and wannabe bully, all you see is a scared little insecure boy who never got a hug from his mommy.



<https://www.threads.net/@griffinkyle/post/C3FpZl00kp4?hl=en>

griffinkyle

13m

As the Supreme Court weighs Trump's removal from state ballots for his role on Jan. 6, a reminder: Ginni Thomas helped lead the 'Stop the Steal' campaign to overturn the 2020 election and attended Trump's Jan. 6 rally. Clarence Thomas has not recused himself from the case.

25

replies

suzypuls

9m

How does Justice Roberts condone this? It really shines a bad light on the court, but I am starting to think they don't care because they are life time appointees.

courtneybethkeller

4m

The things John Roberts condones show he's inept. He, Brett and Barrett all ruled in the decision to put Dubya in as president when Gore won. None are qualified for the top court and all have enormous conflicts.

[Brett and Barrett weren't on the court 30 years ago, dummy']

greggorio1973

11m

If he doesn't Recuse himself, there should be protests in the streets. This shit is insane.

courtneybethkeller

6m

Any ruling with Seditious Gin & Thomas ruling on their own crime is a joke. A criminal joke. They present themselves as a unit for a reason - to claim he could rule on this without his criminal wife playing a role in his decision making is insulting.

djpduffy

11m

It shouldn't be up to him. The other justices should vote in recusing him.

brandystanford

3m

There's not enough integrity among the GOP appointed justices to do that.

abraxasworld

10m

A pinnacle of corruption on this goddamn court. Absolutely disgusting

shegoduh

5m

I bet he'll vote against Trump in an attempt to show how just he is. ☐

digro66

3m

He'd better!

donald_denis

9m

Republicants!

kimtcga

11m

He won't because 1) he's corrupt and 2) that would be an admission that Ginny did something wrong.

heyskydaddy

10m

And he's not going to.

danos1956

11m

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digro66

4m

Which he should have done!

fffullerton

7m

Impeach?

brad.marcus

6m

I never thought Thomas would. He is a fascist. The chief justice is either complicit or in the pocket of Republicans for doing nothing, as usual. John Roberts will go down badly in history

a_smithatthebeach

5m

What happens when a Justice is a proven insurrectionist?

Free trips and a big ass RV.

cylyn2014

8m

And he won't. His handlers won't let him. Most corrupt SCOTUS Justice ever.

zzazazz

4m

Of course not, he has no integrity.

natecoogan

8m

Crime and disorder party.

garyschroeder

9m

Nor will he unless forced.

lauriekafka

5m

Thank you for correctly posting this! Every single media outlet should have this as their top news and a blaring headline to highlight this egregious breach of public trust in an institution that is supposed to be unbiased.

julie.wash

10m

This is not okay.

daveyonemura61

5m

Ginni and Clarence Thomas should visit fishes in the bottom of the Gulf of Mexico!

iluvk9s

4m

Nor will he.

sixand_1

3m

Thomas is a part of the trump scheme and the feds are pretending not to know it



12:26 PM 2/14/2024
reactions to MTG as Speaker of the House
found on @keithedwards Threads

ninahudgins

18m

Oh, for fuck's sake.

Her unstable ass needs to be sitting in a prison cell.

americanbred70

12m

Are you f***ing kidding me??? 🤔🙄♂️ What absolute disgrace to our Nation!!

🙄 Putting an insurrectionist as Speaker for a day is f***ing unbelievable!!! 🙄

Do your job Garland, and take these insurrectionist asswipes down!!! 🙄

sea_change_2019

24m

She should be arrested, right now, in front of the entire world for her role in January 6th.

philly_sports3939

26m

Not for long mtg!

peterabraham90

21m

This isn't funny. To say America is in decline is not hyperbole. Between her

and Trump grabbing headlines non- stop, America looks foolish in the eyes of the world.

eibaseballwidow

17m

God help us.

She's an absolute disgrace.

cindyarizona2023

19m

What a JOKE!!!

There is nothing serious about the GOP. They're playing house like a bunch of little kids.

This is such a mockery of our institution.

Embarrassing, Unfit, and has 0 qualifications to be representing our country.

She's an insurrectionist and should be expelled permanently!

The world is laughing at us!

msval1117

16m

Yep, MTG has MAGA Mike by the balls. Those tiny white balls.

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replies

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the.grateful.dog.ca

29m

2024 needs to be a total vote out of these traitors. Every single one.

starinajohnson

12m

Disgraceful. Embarrassing. She should be in prison for her traitorous behavior.

chicomandot

17m

Someone that needs training wheels is being made to look like a legitimate politician because she kisses up to Trump. I look forward to seeing her in jail like many others that put his needs first.

jewellzz_g

2m

This is the second clip I've seen recently that shows she's unable to read aloud if she's not familiar with it. Poor reading skills. I forget what word she mispronounced, but it was hilarious. I don't know why he's taking her serious. It's some nefarious reason.

4seasonstl

20m

I mean the only real difference between the two is one has a penis and one has a vagina.

6

replies

worfshord

3m

Alright how many BS impeachments and censures are on the schedule for today.

Let the clowns reign supreme.

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keithedwards

41m before 2:31 PM 2/16/2024

Breaking: Mitt Romney announces he won't be voting for Donald Trump. Trump is shedding independents and moderate republicans, and without them he has no chance to win.

robert_meow_meow

36m

Thanks Mitt! Now go fuck off.

ontological_android

34m

Nice but until he announces his support for Biden this is only rhetoric. Anything except voting for Biden helps Trump. Anything. Vote 3rd party? Helps Trump. Don't vote? Helps Trump, unless you were planning on voting for Trump, in which case please don't.

bsriviera

25m

He announced that two times prior and neither made a difference and he still went to kiss the ring. Mitt Romney's lack of endorsement isn't the win u think it is.

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griffinkyle

3h before 12:28 PM 2/18/2024

It's been 48 hours and Donald Trump still has not mentioned the death of Alexei Navalny. He had time to sell shoes, but he hasn't mentioned Navalny.

110

replies

iamreginaasaba

1h

He is not going to mention it . He is afraid Putin won't help with smearing the democrats with misinformation and propaganda

jdorazio0

2h

He probably has no idea who Navalny was. □ I think you're giving him more credit than he deserves.

antonian2024

2h

He never will because, let's say it out loud because our media won't, Trump is a Putin puppet. Literally. The American Yanukovich, a man whose number-one priority is to please his handler--a man he also lives in fear of.

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kelly.faunce.3

7h before 1:16 AM 2/25/2024

<https://www.threads.net/@keithedwards/post/C3vzlnTOJG6?hl=en>

I'm coming to the conclusion that the whole "Biden is too old" narrative is really a dog-whistle for "a bi-racial woman with a Jewish husband is a heartbeat away from the Oval Office, and aren't you alarmed?" for the masses. No doubt others have already concluded that, but I'm a little slow.

elle.oliver.coaching

6h



(bullseye icon)

teamgazpacho2023

7h

To be fair, the comparable nytimes hit piece on Donnie ending his campaign due to his age or sexual assault judgement or the 91 felony charges or the multiple pending criminal trials...oh wait that hasn't happened yet. But I'm sure the nytimes is working diligently on it and could be publishing any minute now ☹️☹️☹️☹️☹️

gregorywnelson

7h

Why does the NYT want Trump as President? ☹️ ☹️

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replies

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the_git_gud_grrl

7h

I'm guessing tax cuts or he's blackmailing them

cmccormickflynn

7h

Tax cuts.

stormydanyells

6h

Clearly they've been bought.

joi_2049

6h

Trump is a goldmine of audience attention and scandals. WaPo, NYT etc all made record profits during Trump.



griffinkyle

5h

Lindsey Graham was booed when Trump brought him up on stage tonight — in Graham's home state.

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replies

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footnote1a

4h

He is truly a waste of space, and always has been. How anyone fails to see through that transparent, cowardly weasel is beyond me.

<https://www.threads.net/@gtconway3/post/C3-WtM-Ogvc>

gtconway3

George Conway re Trump

2h ago 11:18 AM 3/1/2024

He's 6'3", 215 lbs., can identify a whale on a cognitive test, and will live to be 200 if he cuts back on the hamberders a little. What else do we need to know?

alphalgbt

48m

I am [56,] 6'3" and 220 lbs (me last week). Trump is 6'1" 1/2 and 265 lbs
IMHO

griffinkyle

9h

Nikki Haley on Trump's comments about Black voters: "It's disgusting, but that's what happens when he goes off the teleprompter."

"That's the chaos that comes with Donald Trump. That's the offensiveness that's going to happen every day between now and the general election, which is why I continue to say Donald Trump cannot win a general election. He won't."

1116 likes

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"Hello. little girl." (Julia Nikhinson/AFP via Gettv Images)

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3h

Breaking: Nikki Haley says she's no longer bound by the RNC pledge to endorse Trump if he wins the Republican nomination.

"The RNC is not the same RNC," she says, telling

@MeetThePress
, "now it's Trump's" RNC.
163
replies

tracyalyson

3h

She should endorse Biden and tell her supporters to as well. She should do it in front of the cameras with all of the generals and ex Trump administration people who are also not voting for Trump. They should all hold a joint press conference telling the American people why he's such a clear and present danger to our country.

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replies

gtconway3

31m

Dr. John Gartner: "In my opinion, Trump is showing a level of symptoms where no real expert would think that there is not something seriously wrong with his brain."

salon.com/2024...

"Like someone pulled the metaphorical plug": Dr. John Gartner on Trump's "accelerating dementia"

salon.com

edspellman9080

21m before 2:41 PM 3/3/2024

Neurologist here. Completely agree with this assessment. Progression and decline is assured the next 6-8 months though rate of decline is unpredictable. Arguably Trump right now is worse mentally than Reagan in the later stage of his Presidency when he showed beginning signs of Alzheimer's disease (apart from Trump's execrable "positions" and his narcissistic personality disorder). Biden has no dementia, only normal aging. On this level the choice is clear.

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keithedwards

2h pre-4:50 PM 3/5/2024

do you think Nikki haley will win even 1 state today[?]

rocketcheddar

2h

She's got the great state of denial all wrapped up.

jerrylwinkler

1h

It's neck and neck in the state of confusion.

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@keithedwards

The just-nominated Republican candidate for governor of North Carolina:

- says mass shootings are karma for abortion.
- called school shooting victims "prosti-tots"
- thinks the moon landing was faked.
- thinks lizard people are real.
- called 9/11 an inside job.
- thinks American idol is the sign of a new world order.
- says the Holocaust is a hoax
- is [a Negro -MPDM]

This is the Republican Party, folks!

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3/8/24

<https://foreignpolicy.com/2024/02/28/far-right-trump-cpac-orban-milei-truss/>
FEBRUARY 28, 2024, 4:19 PM

Anna Merlan

Since its founding in the 1970s, the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) has been a chance to take the temperature of Republican politics. In recent years, that's looked increasingly fevered, with the Donald Trump wing of the party taking center stage. This year, for instance, a far-right figure named Jack Posobiec called for "the end of democracy" during a panel led by former Trump White House advisor Steve Bannon. But it's also taking a surprisingly internationalist turn for a group whose theme this year was "Where Globalism Goes to Die."

=====armchair shrinking

gtconway3

16h

Psychologist Vince Greenwood, director of the Washington Center for Cognitive Therapy: "We all stumble over and mispronounce words occasionally. This is not what is going on with Trump. The incidence of these kinds of mistakes takes him into this realm of phonemic paraphasia, which is a sign of underlying brain damage, not just aging. ...
salon.com/2024...

"The shift is radical and ominous": Experts on Trump's "underlying brain damage"

salon.com

"The shift is radical and ominous": Experts on Trump's "underlying brain damage"

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replies

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gtconway3

16h

Greenwood: "The key question at the moment regarding Trump's fitness is the following one. Is there a significant change in his cognitive baseline and are the changes markers of disease rather than normal decline linked to aging? In my professional opinion, the answer to that two-part question is yes. Trump has shown a noteworthy decline in his linguistic competency from his previous baseline, and the decline exposes clinical signs of disorder, not simply aging."

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replies

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gtconway3

16h

Cornell University psychologist Harry Segal: "In the past six months, Trump's rallies are filled with strange lapses of logic. He has confused Biden with Obama, spoke of World War II, and has lapsed into bewildering digressions that are hard to follow. ...

salon.com/2024...

"The shift is radical and ominous": Experts on Trump's "underlying brain damage"

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"The shift is radical and ominous": Experts on Trump's "underlying brain damage"

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replies

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gtconway3

16h

... Only this weekend he said: "We have languages coming into our country that no one can speak," a strange grasping for meaning, bordering on neologism. At other times, he seems to get lost in the middle of a sentence." ...

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replies

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gtconway3

16h

Gartner: "This is becoming a weekly ritual: A round-up of the latest behaviors evidencing Trump's apparent dementia. For the 8th time, Trump announced that he was running against Obama. No one believed it when he said he was joking the first 7 times, and he keeps saying it, showing just how deeply disoriented he is and how advanced his apparent dementia has become...

salon.com/2024...

"The shift is radical and ominous": Experts on Trump's "underlying brain damage"

gtconway3

16h

... Trump is continuing to show more of these phonemic aphasias: "Venezuero" instead of Venezuela. He is also demonstrating semantic aphasias: "steak mountain or steak hill," instead of "Snake mountain." Trump is continuing to slur words. What is even more troubling is how Trump sometimes can't form words at all but just makes sounds. For example, "Saudi Arabia and Russia will.... bluh-ub-bll...." ...

21

replies

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gtconway3

19h

it's hard to fathom that a naval officer would sink so low

ddiamond_dc

22h

Navy demoted Ronny Jackson after probe into White House behavior

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<https://www.threads.net/@vinedmonroy/post/C4skCZALffS>
re trumps jewish remarks

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7h pre-5:46 PM 3/20/2024

Nikki Haley dropped out of the presidential primaries weeks ago and she still got 13.9% of the vote in Florida. Ron DeSantis got 3.7%.

Trump is the presumptive Republican nominee and he got just 81.2% of the primary vote.

8h

Nikki Haley dropped out of the presidential primaries weeks ago and she still got 18.7% of the vote in Arizona. Ron DeSantis got 1.6%.

Trump is the presumptive Republican nominee and he got just 77.9% of the primary vote.

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45m pre-11:05 AM 4/18/2024

Breaking: The DA's office says Trump violated Judge Merchan's gag order seven more times.

The office wants the new posts included in the hearing Merchan scheduled for Tuesday.

The office is still considering options in terms of sanctions prosecutors are seeking.

@NBCNews

56

replies

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blastbunny88

42m

I'm hoping Merchan throws trump in jail for contempt.

Let him sit in jail for a couple days and see how he feels

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replies

creatix1

41m

WITHOUT his phone. And I suspect that after several hours his Adderall addiction will become apparent.

blastbunny88

35m

Oh manthat would really destroy him

o.h.behave

37m

Trump would feel it if the consequences were merely sitting alone in a holding cell during the Court hours.

No phone. No toilet privacy. He'll freak out FEELING what his future looks like.

blastbunny88

31m

At this point if he's not going to be an adult then there needs to be consequences

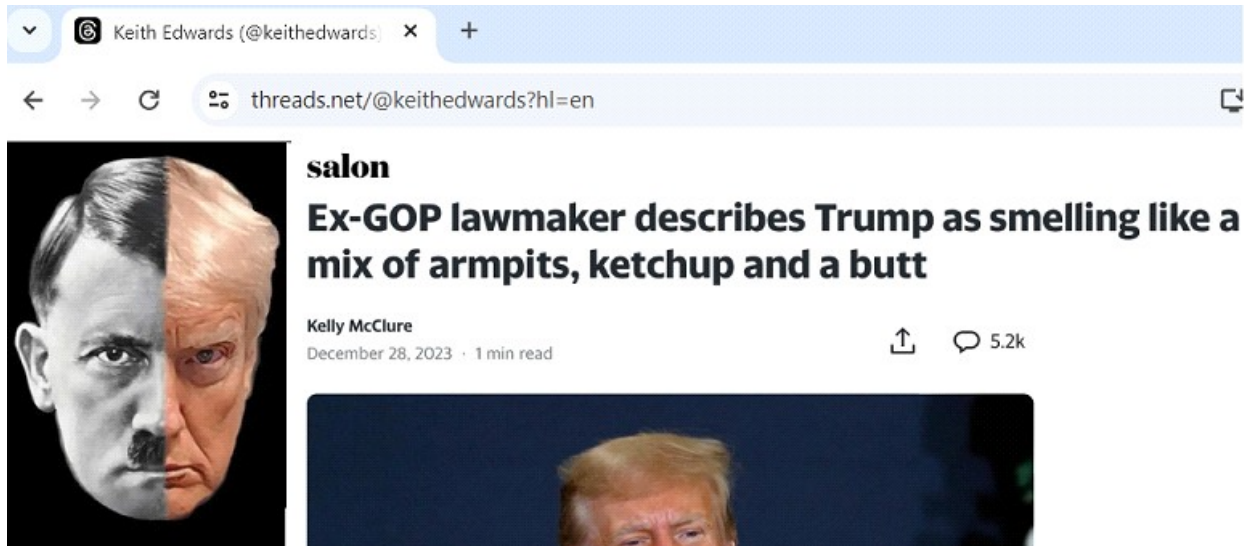
Enough babysitting

bad17durango

16m

But that would upset the whole of the civilized world...we can't just go around putting criminals in jail if they've been president□□□. Blind fold him and make him cross 6 lanes of traffic. If he makes it, do it again until he doesn't.

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Trump reportedly farts in the courtroom: "it's putrid" (video)

Boing Boing

<https://boingboing.net> > 2024/04/19 > toot-toot-donald-...

21 hours ago — Toot toot! Donald Trump raises a stink in the courtroom — literally — and it's reportedly "putrid" (video)

'Struggling With the Smell': Donald Trump Farts Up a Storm ...

Reddit · r/BoomersBeingFools

No Evidence Trump Passed Gas in Courtroom During ...

Snopes

<https://www.snopes.com> > Fact Check

Claim: During former President Donald Trump's April 2024 hush-money trial in New York City, he passed gas repeatedly while his lawyers struggled with the smell.

Fact check by Snopes: Unproven

However...

Pull My Finger Farting Donald Trump Plush Figure Doll - ...

Amazon.com

<https://www.amazon.com> > Finger-Farting-Donald-Ani...

SIZE: This Farting Trump doll measure 10.5 x 8x 7 inches. Nice size figure.

SOUND QUALITY: Our Farting Trump Doll has excellent sound quality: TRUMPS

VOICE: ...

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38m (re SCOTUS hearing Trump presidential immunity case)

Justice Sotomayor: "I am having a hard time thinking that creating false documents, that submitting false documents, that ordering the assassination of a rival, that accepting a bribe and countless other laws that could be broken for personal gain, that anyone would say that it would be reasonable for a president or any public official to do that."
1434 likes as of 11:09 AM 4/25/2024

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rebutthered

40m

I am not saying I want this to happen.
But if presidents have totally immunity for official acts. And can kill political rivals. Wouldn't Supreme Court Justices be the first ones killed? Life after every single election? I mean reshaping the court would be an official act.

stonekettle

5m

Well, see, that's the kicker, right there.
The Justices entertaining this idea know a Democrat president would never order such a thing and any Republican president who uses it will likely only order the elimination of the very people these partisan MAGA Justices hate the most.
They'll give the president the power knowing Biden won't use it against them and they'll be safe OR Trump will get reelected and they get the Putin-style America Republicans want.

replies

redmonds

3m

So, their self interest is to give Trump immunity? Tracks.

rocinantesreturn

2m

Trump would kill them too so he could get bribed to place new justices

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katiephang

6m pre-9:44 AM 5/6/2024

NEW: Judge Merchan addresses Trump directly regarding his continued violations of the gag order-

"It appears that the 1,000 fines are not serving as a deterrent."

"The last thing I want to do is to put you in jail. You are the former president of the United States, and possibly the next president as well."

"There are many reasons why incarceration is truly a last resort for you."
"To take that step would be disruptive to the proceedings"
"But at the end of the day, I have a job to do."

griffinkyle

1m pre - 9:46 AM 5/6/2024

BREAKING:

Judge Merchan just found Trump in criminal contempt — again — for violating his gag order for a 10th time and fined him an additional \$1,000.

He warned Trump: "His continued willful violations of this Court's orders threaten the administration of justice and constitute a direct attack on the rule of law. I cannot allow that to continue."

Merchan said he will, if necessary, impose a jail sentence.

stonekettle

15m pre 11:47 AM 5/6/2024

Look, Trump isn't going to stop violating the gag order. He. Won't. Stop. No one has ever told him he can't do something before and he literally has no frame of reference. He really honestly believes he doesn't have to comply.

SO PUT HIS ASS IN JAIL

Stop fucking around. Stop giving him yet another chance. And put him in jail for contempt NOW. The only way Trump will learn is to suffer -- and I mean SUFFER -- the consequences of his actions.

Put. Trump. In. Jail.

stonekettle

13m

And if his idiot cult starts anything over it, put them in jail too.

Start locking these violent assholes up.

And if the cops won't do it, then call out the fucking army and put the cops in jail.

It's long past time to put an end to this sedition.

michaeldresser

10m

It's a 5-step process:

1. Confinement in a courthouse conference room.
2. Holding cell in courthouse.
3. Rikers overnight.
4. Rikers Wednesday.
5. Rikers weekend.

No way Trump takes it any farther. He probably caves after 2.

neunlfr

8m

He caves after he's separated from his phone and the internet for 2 hours by any of the above situations.

-----different topic

griffinkyle

13m pre 11:59 AM 5/6/2024

Ex-Trump Org. controller Jeff McConney says that one of the repayment checks to Michael Cohen had gotten lost while being sent between the Trump Org. and the White House for Trump's signature. Checks had to be sent from the company to the White House for Trump to sign each of them before they were issued.

micheleblair333

7m

Dejoy 🤖

-----related

katiephang

43m

Katie's Sidebar:

Take a moment and consider the below testimony and evidence.

Donald Trump, while in the OVAL OFFICE, is signing checks (drawn on his personal checking account) intended to reimburse Michael Cohen for the hush money payment Cohen made to adult film star, Stormy Daniels, who had an affair with Trump...so that Trump could protect his 2016 presidential campaign.

katiephang

30m pre-11:56 AM 5/6/2024

You can bet your bottom dollar that the import of this isn't lost on those jurors. The Oval Office still retains a prestige and honor (despite what Trump did to it) and for him to be inside of the White House paying his former "fixer" for hush-money payments is disgusting.

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Mrs. Betty Bowers

@BettyBowers



I think Stormy Daniels and Karen McDougal are two of the bravest people ever.

To publically admit that you willingly had sex with someone as repulsive as Donald Trump takes amazing courage.

11:40 PM · Apr 21, 2024 · **45.9K** Views

Stormy is back on the stand after the quick morning recess.

DANIELS: "I'd been there quite a while, drank a couple bottles of water, and that's all we were drinking, was water." Instructed to go through bedroom and help myself to the facility.

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replies

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katiephang

24m pre-12:11 PM 5/7/2024

Daniels: I left bathroom and went around the bed and was hoping to say time to go i was there a long time and i when i opened bathroom door to come out MR Trump was on the bed and he was wearing boxer shorts and a t-shirt, i was startled.

14

replies

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katiephang

23m

DANIELS: " At first it was just startled, like a jump scare. Wasn't expecting someone to be there especially minus a lot of clothing."

DANIELS: "And that's when I had that moment where I felt like the room spun in slow motion."

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replies

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katiephang

22m

DANIELS: I thought "great, I've put myself in this bad situation"

I put myself in a bad position, like what did i do, he stood up not in a threatening manner, and

DANIELS: "He didn't come at me, he didn't rush at me, he didn't put his hands on me, nothing like that."

DANIELS: he said "i thought you were serious about what you wanted"

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replies

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22m

DANIELS: Basically, Trump tried to say If you're serious about this, if you ever want to get out of that trailer park....

OBJECTION-SUSTAINED—

MERCHAN: (ANGRY) Let's move on

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replies

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katiephang

20m

HOFFINGER: He was standing and you were standing. Relative heights?

DANIELS: 5'6" or 5'7", he was much larger

HOFFINGER: You didn't feel threatened?

DANIELS: "There was an imbalance of power for sure. He was bigger and blocking the way but I was not threatened either verbally or physically."

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reply

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katiephang

18m

HOFFINGER: "Did you end up on the bed having sex with him?"

DANIELS: "Yes"

DANIELS: I went to the opposite side of the bed and i had my clothes and shoes off, missionary position,

Objection - SUSTAINED

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replies

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katiephang

18m

HOFFINGER: "Was he wearing a condom?"

DANIELS: "No"

HOFFINGER: Was that concerning to you?

DANIELS: Yes

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replies

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katiephang

16m

HOFFINGER: Did you say anything about it?

DANIELS: No

HOFFINGER: Why not?

DANIELS: I didn't say anything at all

HOFFINGER: Did you recall how it ended, the sex?

DANIELS: Yes

HOFFINGER: Was it brief?

DANIELS: Yes

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replies

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katiephang

15m

DANIELS: I was sitting on the edge of the bed, it was hard to get my shoes on because my hands were shaking so hard it was hard to put on dress, he said great and i just wanted to leave

DANIELS RECOUNTS TRUMP'S WORDS: "Oh it was great, let's get together again honey bunch." And I just wanted to leave

DANIELS: "I just left as fast as I could"

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replies

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katiephang

14m

HOFFINGER: Did he say anything about keeping it confidential?

DANIELS: NO

DANIELS: "He didn't give me anything, he didn't offer to pay me or give me his cell phone number or anything like that"

HOFINGER: "Did he express any concern at that point about his wife finding out?"

DANIELS: "No"

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replies

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katiephang

13m

HOFFINGER: After that night did you tell anybody else what happened?

DANIELS: Yes, i told people we had sex, didn't want them to think i was paid because i wasn't

DANIELS: "I felt ashamed that I didn't stop it and that I didn't say no."

DANIELS: Didn't want people to incorrectly think I was a prostitute

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replies

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rfountain_8

10m

How predators work.

tinydancer000

15m

We're all going to need to inject bleach into our eyes after this testimony.

bluetoadd90

8m

Trump's head 🤖

yocourtneyjo

22m

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rcdlv

16h ...



griffinkyle

12m pre-12:02 PM 5/7/2024

Stormy Daniels says Trump told her "you remind me of my daughter," who he said was smart and blond, adding that people underestimate her.

sfjohnc

12m

EWWWWW!!!

davahansen

4m

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griffinkyle

16m

Stormy Daniels says Trump pulled out a magazine, and at that point, she wanted to eat her dinner and asked him if he was always this rude, saying he didn't know how to have a conversation.

"Someone should spank you with that," Daniels recalled saying about the magazine. Daniels says Trump rolled up the magazine and Trump "gave me a look."

"So I took it from him and I said turn around, and I swatted him" right on the butt.

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replies

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griffinkyle

21m

Stormy Daniels says after Trump changed out of pajamas, they went to sit down at the dining table inside the hotel suite to talk. She says they talked about "general get-to-know you sort of things."

Daniels says Trump was very interested in how she went from being a porn star to writing and directing, if she got residuals, how she was paid, about health insurance, about STDs and whether they had a doctor on staff. She says Trump asked if she was worried about catching something.

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replies

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griffinkyle

26m

Stormy Daniels says when she first entered Trump's hotel suite, she said, "Hello."

Daniels says Trump was wearing silk or satin pajamas. "Does Hugh Hefner know you stole his pajamas?" Daniels recalled asking. She said she told Trump go change, and he obliged "very politely."

11

replies

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griffinkyle

31m

Following directions Stormy Daniels says she received from Trump's bodyguard, Keith Schiller, in 2006, Daniels says she arrived at Trump's hotel and took the elevator to the top floor, where she met Schiller, who was outside the door to Trump's penthouse suite. "It was cracked open and Keith was standing there, and he said 'nice to meet you' and so I walked in."

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griffinkyle

41m

Stormy Daniels says her publicist encouraged her to have dinner with Trump: "If nothing else, you'll get a great story," Daniels says her publicist told her. "It'll make a great story. He's a business guy. What could possibly go wrong?"

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replies

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griffinkyle

50m

Daniels says after meeting Trump in 2006, Daniels was approached by his security guard about having dinner with him.

She says she declined the dinner invite. "No with an expletive in front."

griffinkyle

56m

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replies

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griffinkyle

56m

Stormy Daniels tells prosecutor Susan Hoffinger she was 27 when she met Trump at a celebrity golf tournament in Lake Tahoe in July 2006.

Daniels says she met Trump on the golf course. "It was a very brief encounter."

Pressed on whether she recalls what she had discussed with Trump, Daniels replies, "it wasn't very much," but that Trump said, "Oh you direct too, you must be smart."

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replies

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griffinkyle

1h

Stormy Daniels has taken the stand.

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replies

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griffinkyle

2h

Trump's lawyer objects to Stormy Daniels testifying. In response, prosecutor Susan Hoffinger says there will be "no descriptions of genitalia or anything. ... But it's important to us to illicit that she had sex with him, and how she felt about it."

54

replies

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katiephang

32m pre-12:20 PM 5/7/2024

DANIELS: I thought "great, I've put myself in this bad situation"

I put myself in a bad position, like what did i do, he stood up not in a threatening manner, and

DANIELS: "He didn't come at me, he didn't rush at me, he didn't put his hands on me, nothing like that."

DANIELS: he said "i thought you were serious about what you wanted"

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replies

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katiephang

32m

DANIELS: Basically, Trump tried to say If you're serious about this, if you ever want to get out of that trailer park....

OBJECTION-SUSTAINED—

MERCHAN: (ANGRY) Let's move on

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replies

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katiephang

30m

HOFFINGER: He was standing and you were standing. Relative heights?

DANIELS: 5'6" or 5'7", he was much larger

HOFFINGER: You didn't feel threatened?

DANIELS: "There was an imbalance of power for sure. He was bigger and blocking the way but I was not threatened either verbally or physically."

katiephang

28m

HOFFINGER: "Did you end up on the bed having sex with him?"

DANIELS: "Yes"

DANIELS: I went to the opposite side of the bed and i had my clothes and shoes off, missionary position,

Objection - SUSTAINED

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replies

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katiephang

28m

HOFFINGER: "Was he wearing a condom?"

DANIELS: "No"

HOFFINGER: Was that concerning to you?

DANIELS: Yes

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replies

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katiephang

26m

HOFFINGER: Did you say anything about it?

DANIELS: No

HOFFINGER: Why not?

DANIELS: I didn't say anything at all

HOFFINGER: Did you recall how it ended, the sex?

DANIELS: Yes

HOFFINGER: Was it brief?

DANIELS: Yes

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replies

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katiephang

25m

DANIELS: I was sitting on the edge of the bed, it was hard to get my shoes on because my hands were shaking so hard it was hard to put on dress, he said great and i just wanted to leave

DANIELS RECOUNTS TRUMP'S WORDS: "Oh it was great, let's get together again honey bunch." And I just wanted to leave

DANIELS: "I just left as fast as I could"

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replies

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katiephang

24m

HOFFINGER: Did he say anything about keeping it confidential?

DANIELS: NO

DANIELS: "He didn't give me anything, he didn't offer to pay me or give me his cell phone number or anything like that"

HOFINGER: "Did he express any concern at that point about his wife finding out?"

DANIELS: "No"

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replies

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katiephang

23m

HOFFINGER: After that night did you tell anybody else what happened?

DANIELS: Yes, i told people we had sex, didn't want them to think i was paid because i wasn't

DANIELS: "I felt ashamed that I didn't stop it and that I didn't say no."

DANIELS: Didn't want people to incorrectly think I was a prostitute

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replies

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Log in to like, reply and post.

katiephang

6m

HOFFINGER: Did you see Mr. Trump again the next day?

DANIELS: At the bar, the nightclub at my hotel. Keith said would I be willing to talk to him again and I arrived there and he was with his friend, he introduced me to his friend "Big Ben."

DANIELS: "He introduced me as his little friend stormy to "Big Ben" the football player."

DANIELS: I talked Big Ben into putting on his Super Bowl ring, and two fingers fit in it.

("BIG BEN" IS BEN ROETHLISBERGER of the Steelers.)

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replies

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katiephang

5m

HOFFINGER: First person you told about sexual encounter?

DANIELS: Oliver(?) I told most of the details, others I told some of it, I told lots of people that I had met him, I told scores of people that, the sex part I told very few people. My assistant at the time....

katiephang

5m

HOFFINGER: Did Mr Trump call you?

DANIELS: He would always call...

"He would call on average once a week, sometimes 2-3 times a week, sometimes not for three weeks"

"I always put him on speakerphone"

"We thought it was funny"

"It was not a secret"

He Called "With an update or a non update if he didn't have one, for Apprentice."

He always called me Honeybunch

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replies

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katiephang

4m

HOFFINGER: When you put him on speaker, did you tell him he was on speaker?

DANIELS: NO.

HOFFINGER: He never told you to keep it confidential?

DANIELS: NO

HOFFINGER: Why did you continue to take his calls?

DANIELS: Because, like I said, my publicist thought it was a good idea to continue the conversations about the television show

katiephang

4m

HOFFINGER: At some point did Mr. trump give you his work number?

DANIELS: He gave me his assistant's number.

I know it was late summer of 2006.

HOFFINGER: What did you do with the number when he gave it to you.

DANIELS: I wrote it down on a piece of paper next to my bed and then i put it into my phone

brentsilveria

22m

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griffinkyle

1m pre-1:04 PM 5/7/2024

Stormy Daniels says she met with Trump in the summer of 2007 at his bungalow in Los Angeles.

Asked why she went to see him, Daniels says because of The Apprentice.

"He kept trying to make sexual advances, putting his hand on my leg, scooting closer."

"I told him I was on my period," Daniels says, adding she was there for between one and two hours.

griffinkyle

6m

Stormy Daniels says Trump asked to see her again when the two met at a Trump Vodka launch in Jan. 2007. At the same event, Trump introduced Daniels to Karen McDougal.

Daniels says when she went to Trump Tower later in 2007, he again tried to get her to see him again. She says he said he missed her.

=====Phang

katiephang

33m pre-1:04 PM 5/7/2024

HOFFINGER: After you were interviewed for In Touch did you have an

encounter in a parking lot in Las Vegas?

DANIELS: My daughter and I were going to a mommy and me workout class and... "I was approached by a man in a parking lot in Las Vegas. I thought he was the husband or something of one of the other women in the class."

DANIELS: "He threatened me not to continue to tell my story."

HOFFINGER: What story?

DANIELS: "About my encounter with Mr. Trump"

katiephang

35m

HOFFINGER: Did you tell the police?

DANIELS: No because I was scared and my daughter's father was also struggling and I did not tell my boyfriend, he was struggling with post-partum stuff with my daughter and alcoholism. I'd never told him about sex with Trump, so if I'd told him then when "his world was exploding," it wouldn't have been good.

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replies

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katiephang

34m

HOFFINGER: Oct 2011, did you become aware that an article had come out online about your encounter w Trump called

DANIELS: Yes, Gina called....it is a gossip site, she may have sent me over

HOFFINGER: Did you provide info to that site?

DANIELS: No, I'd never even heard of this. I didn't want the person who threatened me and my baby to think I'd done it.

katiephang

34m

HOFFINGER: Did you want it taken down?

DANIELS: Yeah, absolutely

HOFFINGER: Was it in fact successful in doing that?

DANIELS: "I assumed so, because it came down"

katiephang

33m

HOFFINGER: In 2015, "Sometime after he announced that he was running for president, did someone reach out to you again about telling your account" with Mr. Trump

DANIELS: Yes

HOFFINGER: Did Gina reach out you?

DANIELS: Yes

HOFFINGER: What did she say

DANIELS: That she could sell the story again.

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replies

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katiephang

25m

HOFFINGER: Did you decide to let Gina sell your story to a news outlet?

DANIELS: Yes

HOFFINGER: Do you remember the Access Hollywood tape coming out publicly.

DANIELS: Yes

HOFFINGER: Was she trying to sell your story before?

DANIELS: Yes

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replies

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katiephang

24m

HOFFINGER: Was Gina successful in doing so before that Access Hollywood tape came out?

DANIELS: No

HOFFINGER: Did you believe that she would sell your story after the AH Tape came out?

DANIELS: Yes, more people were calling

HOFFINGER: In Oct 2016, was your focus on selling your story?

DANIELS: yeah

katiephang

24m

HOFFINGER: "Did you have any intention of approaching either Mr. Trump or Michael Cohen, his attorney, to have them pay for your story?"

DANIELS: No, my motivation wasn't money. i just wanted to get the story out.
mammamia Leah

24m

I was hoping this part of her story would come out!!

emptydecanter

11m

A random CULT member or someone paid by Trump to intimidate her???

zikdaman

3m

In 2011? Doubt there was that kind of cult then.

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gtconway3

6m pre-11:23 AM 5/9/2024

I think we need organize a video reenactment of today's cross when we get the transcript. It would be a big hit.

gtconway3

2m pre-11:25 AM 5/9/2024

Stormy freely admits she was not threatened, drugged, etc., and that it was her own fault--her own insecurities--that she did it with Trump.

The supposed inconsistencies Necheles is trying to point out between Stormy's testimony and prior news clippings are trivial.

gtconway3dg

6m pre-11:33 AM 5/9/2024

per

@adamklasfeld

: Usually, after a friendly direct-examination, a contentious cross is where witnesses lose their cool — but with Stormy Daniels, the opposite has been true.

Unflappable.

<https://www.threads.net/@gtconway3dg/post/C6v-d8gOxl->

gtconway3dg

2h

@charlie_j_sykes

: "The man is a pig who despises and uses women"

=====Phang

katiephang

3m pre-11:44 AM 5/9/2024

Katie's Sidebar:

IMO it was a bad defense strategy to try to "slut-shame" Stormy Daniels today on cross for her professional choices. Directly accusing her of being a liar because she works in the adult film industry was a poor decision.

katiephang

3m

The defense suggests that just because Daniels chooses to be a part of that industry, then she couldn't possibly be offended by a half-naked, "older" man who invited her to dinner, began the evening in satin pajamas, and then stripped his clothes to a t-shirt and boxers when she was in the bathroom.

11

replies

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rdfwestnyfc

1m

I am shocked and appalled—speechless—that Donald Trump made a poor decision worthy of a demented psychopath.

evacuate_earth_now

1m

I've seen a lot of porn films and thus far, nobody has ever lied 30,000 times while they were the President of the United States.

katiephang

9m pre-10:55 AM 5/9/2024

DANIELS: There is nothing wrong with detail, they are "truthful facts". And I don't need to match things to my book.

NECHELES: "You know there is no way to check on the details of what you said happened."

[ME: Sure there is-- your client, Donald Trump, can take the stand and testify if he has a different story to tell.]

katiephang

3m

NECHELES: You testified yesterday that when you were asked to dinner [via Keith Schiller], you said no fucking way. But in your In Touch interview, you said Donald Trump asked you to dinner.

DANIELS: Correct.

DANIELS: Like I said, bodyguard/handler is a unit.

DANIELS: This is an entertaining version of the events

NECHELES: Now you are saying you lied in 2011

OBJECTION-SUSTAINED

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1m

This lawyer is reaching so far it's giving reach around.

11

replies

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katiephang

20m pre-10:59 AM 5/9/2024

NECHELES: You have acted in more than 200 sex films?

DANIELS: Copulation.

NECHELES: You directed 150 sex films?

DANIELS: "Give or take"

NECHELES: "You have a lot of experience making phony stories about sex."

DANIELS: "Wow. That's not how I would put it. The sex in the films is very much real, just like what happened to me in that room [with Trump]."

66

replies

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katiephang

20m

NECHELES: You memorize these fictional stories and repeating them?

DANIELS: The scripts, not the sex. "Pretty sure we all know how to do that."

NECHELES: And now there is a story you are telling about President Trump?

DANIELS: "If that story was untrue, I would've written it to be a lot better". "I didn't have to write this one."

DANIELS: "I didn't make millions of dollars, and I didn't write this story."

16

replies

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katiephang

23m

Katie's Sidebar:

Trump's defense attorney is trying to make hay in front of the jury about Stormy Daniels making money off of Trump being indicted, etc.

What's nuts about this strategy is the fact that Trump is the King of Grift (see Trump Steaks, Trump University, Trump Vodka, Trump Wine, Trump Water, Trump Airlines, etc.) and that hasn't been lost on anyone.

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griffinkyle

1m-pre 10:55 AM 5/9/2024

Trump lawyer Susan Necheles shows Stormy Daniels a tweet she re-tweeted in which someone called her a "human toilet" and wrote "Exactly! Making me the best person to flush the orange turd down."

Daniels says it was hyperbole.

Necheles asks what she meant by orange turd.

Daniels: "Oh, I absolutely meant Mr. Trump."

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Manochio testimony, re Trump signing checks in WH at same time he was said to have signed them for Stormy Daniels.

katiephang

9m

The prosecution now calls REBECCA MANOCHIO.

She was Allen Weisselberg's Assistant and worked at Trump Org. for 11 years.

MANGOLD: What is your current position?

Manochio: Junior bookkeeper

MANOCHIO: Testifying by subpoena, Represented by counsel

katiephang

8m

MANGOLD: How often would Mr. Weisselberg interact with Mr. Trump.

MANOCHIO: Every day.

MANOCHIO: I did not pay bills, had a role with processing, and took checks with their backups together for Mr. Weisselberg to sign.

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replies

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katiephang

6m

MANGOLD: Did mr. Trump get a new job in 2017

MANOCIO: He did

MANGOLD: Did he have to relocate for that job

MANOCIO: Yes

MANGOLD: And what was that job?

MANOCHIO: The president of the united states

MANGOLD: And where did he have to relocate

MANOCHIO: he went to the white house

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replies

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katiephang

4m

MANGOLD: The checks that you sent down to Washington DC. Were they signed or unsigned

MANOCIO: They were unsigned

MANGOLD: And what if anything did you receive back from dc

MANOCIO: They were signed

katiephang

4m

MANGOLD: Did you always check to see if the checks were signed when you got them back

MANOCIO: Yes

MANGOLD: Whose signature were on the checks?

MANOCIO: Mr. Trump

MANGOLD: When you got the return envelope do you recall if backup was attached when checks came back

MANOCHIO: It was

gcdcmec

7m

Wasting no time.

greymanbig

3m

At the rate the prosecution are going they'll point out that her name rhymes with Pinnochio, look meaningfully at the jury and mime a growing nose, before sitting down. Legal genius...

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5/10/24

re:

<https://www.threads.net/@thekristenjohnston/post/C6zbgRCyHbn>

stonekettle

4h

Trump is a selfish, self-centered, self-involved slob with bad breath who has never once given a single thought to anyone else's comfort, pleasure, or satisfaction.

And we're supposed to believe he's some great lover?

LOL. Literally laughing the fuck out loud.

Replies

stearnwoman

3h

I don't even want to think about that thing on top of me!

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Valentines is right around the corner.



chimpvsdog

on Threads

https://www.threads.net/@keithedwards/post/C62Lg_tOMj-

13h pre-9:44 AM 5/12/2024

There's a reason Russia and China are covertly meddling in US elections: because they understand how utterly unprepared and vacuous Trump and the MAGA movement are, and want to make inroads into global power

through their incompetence. MAGA aren't some rising political movement offering new perspectives on governance and policy. They're a barely functional mob of shit-stirrers and conspiracy theorists, and *exactly* who you'd want to be in control of your greatest rival on the world stage.

mlm0337

13h

WTF is he even talking about?

rayolivares

14h

Did someone hack the teleprompter???

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<https://boingboing.net/2024/05/13/cruelty-is-the-point-a-trump-ghoul-brags-about-entrapping-homeless-people.html>

One of the fascists behind "Project 2025," the disgraced Johnny McEntee, shared a video on social media where he entraps homeless people. Never forget that for MAGAs, the cruelty is the point. Cruelty is the reason "Project 2025" senior advisor Johnny McEntee shared a video of himself "gifting" counterfeit money to homeless people with the intent of getting them jailed for trying to use it. McEntee had to be fired from the Trump administration and escorted out of the White House as he was under investigation for "financial crimes." However, he was immediately rehired by the Trump campaign.

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https://www.threads.net/@stonekettle/post/C660FpsL_K-

stonekettle

18h

You know who you haven't heard a single word about in the last year?

Nestor.

Whatever happened to him?

pstomlinson

17h

If I had a nickel for every time a GOP congressman had a sketchy "adoption" of an underage boy of color, well I'd have two nickels but it's still strange it happened twice.

steelonious

17h

Is Matt an empty Nestor now?

melissamc1

13h

He's at home cleaning the pool.

chimpvsdog

17h

What a strange story: Nestor, brother of Matt Gaetz's girlfriend, moves in with them when he's twelve. Then, when she moves out, he stays. Gaetz calls him his son, but admits there's no legal adoption. Conclusion: Nestor and Gaetz's ex know the truth, and aren't talking.

ohdonna26

13h

What about Mike Johnson's adopted black son who was a teen when he was adopted by a single man only 10 yrs his senior.

mumziebears

6h

Yeah , nothing weird about that.

the_thomas_frank

18h

Isn't he married to Mike Johnson's adopted son?

badmikeyt

18h

He eloped with Tim Scott's gf

gmag1962

11h

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keithedwards  5h

My hope is that this picture is shared in history books of a failed fascist uprising in America.

The actions we take today decide how this picture is framed for all of history.



keithedwards

6h pre-7:03 PM 5/14/2024

My hope is that this picture is shared in history books of a failed fascist uprising in America.

The actions we take today decide how this picture is framed for all of history.

keithedwards

8h

January 6th wasn't the end of the insurrection, it was the beginning.

We are witnessing an attempt to overthrow our democracy through the means in which they intend to stop — an election.

instauser6259

5h

Irony that Mike Johnson, who has a mutual monitoring pact with his son to avoid porn, travels to NYC to show his support for Trump who had sex with porn star then paid her off keep quiet. Watching porn is bad, but having sex with porn star is ok. Also ok to claim hush money as business expense

sillysue2go

4h

Boggles the mind. Hypocrisy at its most blatant

toni_lee_c

4h

The guy with the glasses that is so terrified of pornography he has to have his teenage son monitor him in case he accidentally looks at it is supporting TFG who had sex with an adult film star while his wife was home with their brand new baby. Mike, keep your warped version of Christianity far away from me and mine.

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gtconway3

27m pre-10:07 AM 5/15/2024

I don't know Blanche and therefore express no view about whether, in fact, he is a "crying little shit."

However, starting a critical cross in an important case with "Isn't it a fact you called me a 'crying little shit'" does sound like something a crying little shit would do.

I don't make the rules.

gtconway3

8h

Another great example of the utterly bizarre performative stupidity that has taken hold of Republican politicians, in which you see genuinely smart people (like Vance, a Yale Law graduate) use their intelligence to attempt to outperform a genuine imbecile (here Tuberville, who by bipartisan consensus is considered to be the dumbest senator). It would be hilarious if it didn't adversely affect the nation's governance.

sandrabull993

7h

The Republican who showed up in New York goes to show you what kind of a cult the Republican Party has become trumps puppets let's see who can kiss trumps ass first

russtofferson

7h

Can't overstate how pathetic this whole charade is. These guys are *United States senators* yet they act like wannabe edgelords on some obscure message board circa 2008.

nettispaghetti60

5h

They're acting more like frat boys who have been caught by the house mother.

=====re trump rant



Donald J. Trump ✓

@realDonaldTrump

CROOKED JOE BIDEN IS THE WEAKEST, MOST INCOMPETENT, AND MOST DISHONEST PRESIDENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES BUT, MOST IMPORTANTLY, HE IS THE WORST PRESIDENT OUR COUNTRY HAS EVER SEEN OR KNOWN. HOPEFULLY, THERE WILL NEVER BE ANOTHER ONE LIKE HIM. HE IS A THREAT TO DEMOCRACY!

https://www.threads.net/@ecmclaughlin/post/C7Bo_ZBLMwk

ecmclaughlin

3h post-9:30 AM 5/16/2024

Sometimes his psychopathology is hilarious. This is textbook projection.

dpalmer253

2h

It's so ill composed and ungrammatical it makes me nauseous just reading it.

joolsrock85

2h

Looking in the mirror when he wrote that post

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Alex Cole  @acnewsitics · 1d

Boebert's teenage son, Tyler Boebert, was in court 7 days ago, without his mother and without a lawyer, but here she is in New York, in court, for Donald Trump.



katiephang

6m

Today's satellite office of the GOP at Trump's trial is staffed today by the following:

Rep. Matt Gaetz, Rep. Lauren Boebert, Eric Trump, Rep. Bob Good, and Boris Epshteyn

katiephang

3m

Matt Gaetz is seated between Eric Trump and Lauren Boebert in the front row directly behind Defendant Trump.

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bidenharrishq

4m post9:32 AM 5/16/2024

Trump claims his criminal trial is preventing him from being on the campaign

trail, even though he spent his day off yesterday mingling with anti-abortion billionaires instead of campaigning

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gtconway3dg

1d

Blanche reads some of Cohen's greatest hits, calling Trump a "Cheeto-dusted cartoon villain" and a "boorish" misogynist, then a paraphrase.

Then Blanche quotes him directly—"I truly fucking hope that this man ends up in prison"—which Cohen admits sounds a bit more like him.

gtconway3dg

1d

via

@lawofruby

- On cross examination, Michael Cohen is asked whether he was telling the truth when, on various occasions, he heaped praise on Trump publicly. His response? "At that time, I was knee deep into the cult of Donald Trump, yes."

gtconway3dg

Blanche: You said Trump belongs in a "fucking cage, like an animal"?

COHEN: I recall saying that, yes.

gtconway3dg

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via

@norm.eisen

Blanche: You regularly talk about PRESIDENT Trump correct?

Cohen: I speak about MISTER Trump, yes

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gtconway3

12h pre 10:12 AM 5/16/2024

"The press is not giving the American people a complete picture of Donald Trump's deteriorated brain and that's malpractice for journalism and really indefensible."

gtconway3

12h

"After months of talking about Biden's age...they're just going to ignore Donald Trump's obvious derangement, his utter lack of impulse control, his incoherence? I guess so. That's their idea of balanced coverage."

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katiephang

3h pre-5:26 PM 5/16/2024

Blanche raising his voice, practically "shrieking" at Cohen, could be perceived as "much ado about nothing" by the jury, especially if he took so

long to get to that point.

In the face of Blanche's hysteria, Cohen has calmly responded that he "always ran everything by the boss immediately, and in this case it could have been just saying, 'Everything's been taken care of, it's going to be resolved.'"

katiephang

3h

Blanche yelling at Cohen: "We are not asking for your belief. This jury doesn't want to hear what you think happened." isn't true.

Of course, the jury wants to know from Michael Cohen what he thinks happened. Unless Trump wants to take the stand to explain what happened, then Cohen is a critical voice for the jury to hear from.

loudlong

3h

"I'M DESPERATE AND YOUR TESTIMONY IS KILLING MY CLIENT!" is not a great message to send to the jury on cross-examination.

gtconway3dg

11m pre-5:29 PM 5/16/2024

Elizabeth de la Vega: "I have either participated in or watched 100s of trials. I have never seen any attorney shriek during cross-examination or at any other point in the trial. Shrieking is not a sign of strength."

-----dt testifying?

gtconway3dg

1h pre-5:31 PM 5/16/2024

via

@kaitlancollins

- Todd Blanche tells Judge Merchan there is still no decision on whether Trump will testify.

levy5968

38m

Trump will NEVER testify. Blanche isn't fooling anybody, especially not Judge Merchan. He knows, as does every single, not insane person in the world, that Trump would surely burst into flames, if he ever swore an oath to "tell the truth and nothing but the truth".

lesnielbc

47m

Probably means this...

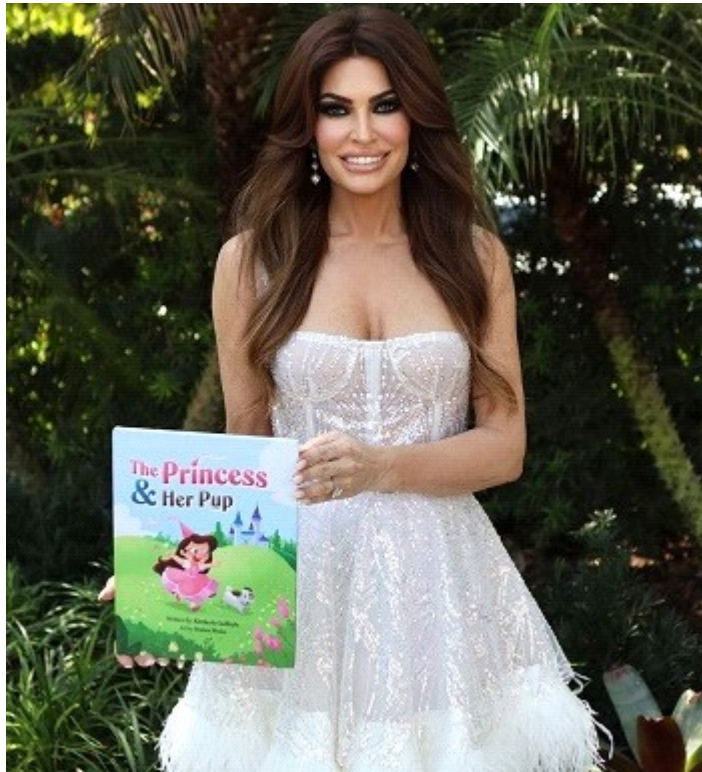
Trump wants to testify thinking he's smarter than everyone else
Trump's lawyers are trying to talk him out of testifying

chestnutfez

32m

yup

=====Scary lady sells book



<https://www.threads.net/@ronaldfilipkowski/post/C7DAv9cuEku>

ronaldfilipkowski

12m

Interesting marketing campaign for a children's book.

nahsh_gf

4m

Princess? More like tired, old queen.

goodys19

8m

How old is this woman?

texas_bluebird

7m

55

greenmonstah70

11m

I'm guessing she shoots and eats the puppy.

elaineroberts2525

2m

Kind of a bad choice to hire a drag queen to advertise a children's book. I thought they didn't like Drag Story Time?

lynn_scott_711

4m

Does that say pup or pimp ?

greenmonstah70

11m

I'm guessing she shoots and eats the puppy.

msmayra1

9m

OMG! Is there a trip to a gravel pit???

mic_cullen_official

1m

Republican Family Values, y'all!

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kyle griffin

Kristi Noem is now banned from entering nearly 20% of the state she governs.

Another tribe — the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate — has banished Noem, and the leaders of a *sixth* tribe have recommended taking that same action, over comments she made earlier this year about tribal leaders benefitting from drug cartels. [apnews.com/artic...](https://apnews.com/article/...)

is_t_you

23m

She's a puppy killer , enough said

krazyk1968

35m

Ban her from America..

vrpj

37m

Who would be surprised to see her get the South Dakota National Guard to muscle her way into tribal lands?

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griffinkyle

1h post-2:16 PM 5/18/2024

Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes has served Rudy Giuliani with the notice of his indictment on charges related to the conspiracy to overturn the 2020

election in Arizona.

The notice was served during Giuliani's 80th birthday celebration and came less than two hours after Giuliani taunted Mayes for failing to deliver his indictment. [nbcnews.com/polit...](https://www.nbcnews.com/polit...)

realestatezips

11m

Can't wait to see the mug shot.

deegannuscio

2m

🤔🤔

5m

A pathetic old man. I can only assume greed overtook him.

pjdouble78

2m

Happy Birthday, Dear Rudy🤔🤔

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griffinkyle

15h pre-8:24 AM 5/20/2024

Heads up: Marco Rubio won't commit to accepting the results of the 2024 election. He dodged the question multiple times on @MeetThePress

juliesirrs

7h

This is un-American.

1998tonybeavs

14h

I don't think anyone should cover this bullshit. Media helps them by endlessly booking them to get the same sound bite.

gigivotesblue24

15h

Such a little ass hat

maxv_alley

14h

Marco Rubio, famously know for his courage.

=====Rachel Sez

maddowmaddow

3m pre=8:28 AM 5/20/2024

I was last in the courtroom for opening statements -- the atmosphere among the security staff then was much more stressed and tense compared to today, as the final prosecution witness takes what is likely his final day on

the stand. This many weeks into the trial, there is an art to it all, including the logistics and security.

a.curious.bystander

1m

How long will Vonshitzenpants last before he falls asleep today...?



maddowmaddow

15m

The light fixtures in the courtroom at Trump's trial hang suspended -- they hang down a few feet from the ceiling. It says "In God We Trust" in all capital letters on the wall behind the judge, just over what I assume is the seal of the state of New York. But because the light fixture mostly blocks "In God," it basically just looks like Judge Merchan sits under a gold seal, and the words "WE TRUST".

stevemccarthy.512

3m

I wonder what it says on the wall above Aileen Cannon?

=====Nun o' that!



Benedictine College nuns denounce Harrison Butker's speech at their school

MAY 19, 2024 12:45 PM ET

By John Helton (NPR)

"The sisters of Mount St. Scholastica do not believe that Harrison Butker's comments in his 2024 Benedictine College commencement address represent the Catholic, Benedictine, liberal arts college that our founders envisioned and in which we have been so invested," the nuns wrote in a statement posted on Facebook.

In his 20-minute address, Butker denounced abortion rights, Pride Month, COVID-19 lockdowns and "the tyranny of diversity, equity and inclusion" at the Catholic liberal arts college in Atchison, Kan.

"Instead of promoting unity in our church, our nation, and the world, his comments seem to have fostered division," they wrote.

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weissmann11

3m pre-8:53 AM 5/20/2024

BREAKING: Trump trial summations will be NEXT Tuesday, not tomorrow, says Judge Merchan this morning.

gtconway3dg

2m

Merchan now says closing arguments expected next Tuesday

gtconway3dg

5m

NEWS: Justice Merchan says that it looks like we won't go to summation tomorrow.

"Unfortunately the calendar is what it is," he says.

gtconway3dg

6m

Next issue: defense exhibits. Hoffinger says the prosecution was objecting to two exhibits, but now it's down to one, which she has a hearsay objection on. Unclear yet what the exhibit is.

gtconway3dg

5m

It's defense exhibit 1005: an email from Costello's partner (Citron) to Michael Cohen following their initial communications.

Blanche says the email is direct impeachment against what Cohen testified on direct and cross on Tues/Thurs.

gtconway3dg

3m

BLANCHE: We're not offering this for the truth but impeachment.

MERCHAN: It would be the truth of the statement you're impeaching him with right?

BLANCHE: It depends on how he answers

MERCHAN: But how he answers it at that point the cat's out of the bag, the jury has heard it.

gtconway3dg

2m

Hoffinger rises for the counterargument: Citron's opinion is not an impeachment of how Cohen felt the meeting went, and whether it's

impeachment or not, it's still hearsay. This doesn't disclose what was in Michael Cohen's mind about how he felt the meeting went.

gtconway3dg

1m

Merchan remains firm. He mentions there's actually two layers of hearsay, and at this moment he's not going to let it in.

Software, not comments © 2024

=====Rudy's shameless schill

stonekettle

25m

Made from charred beans found in the rubble of the Twin Towers, Rudy Brew is the 911 of coffee. Cancer and terrorism in every cup.

[Re:

ronaldfilipkowski

14h

Rudy's latest grift has hit the market - Rudy Coffee. Rudy says it's "the best coffee you will ever try," and buying it will help "support the cause of truth, justice and American democracy."

whatifbarackorhillarydidit

13h

Beyond parody.

michaelelliottrechtshaffen

12h

Grounds for indictment]

the.raven.at.your.door

7m (on Stonekettle post)

The best part of waking up

Indictments in your cup

=====nyc court

gtconway3dg

5m pre 9:14 AM 5/20/2024

via

@norm.eisen

- Judge DENIES defense request to have their FEC expert Brad Smith give testimony on "influencing an el. for federal office," the irrespective rule & the press exception

Judge: all require interpreting the law & "an expert is not permitted to interpret the law"

A blow to Trump

demvoter

4m

Huge relief. Their “expert” is a maga stooge and should be nowhere near election law.

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maddowmaddow

4m pre-9:39 AM 5/20/2024

michael cohen enters. purple tie. he is reminded he is still under oath. judge merchan summons the jury.

aaron.rupar

9m

Trump is still mad that MAGA protesters aren't causing chaos around the courtroom in Manhattan

aaron.rupar

6m

Trump quotes Bill O'Reilly as one of his "legal experts." After Trump's deranged whine-fest ends, Fox News cuts to Sen. Katie Britt, who claims he was "spot on." Ted Cruz then acknowledges that Trump could be convicted.

wine.repeat.wine

1m

He's desperate.

i_am_the_dan_in_the_box

2m

“Christian mom” Katie Britt throwing her religion away to defend the adulterer on national television is the whole GOP brand.

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meanwhile, in Europe

griffinkyle

2h

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — ICC chief prosecutor says he is seeking arrest warrants for Israeli Prime Minister and Hamas leaders, among others.

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gtconway3dg

2m pre-9:54 AM 5/21/2024

Q: This email is about your goal to have Cohen follow instructions by Giuliani and the president?

A: No, not to follow instructions but to get everyone on the same page, bc Cohen had been complaining that Giuliani—Hoffinger says thanks but he

plows on—had been making comments...

gtconway3dg

2m

...in the press that Cohen didn't approve of.

Another email, 6/13/18 Costello to Cohen: "my friend has communicated to me that he is meeting with his client this evening," and asked Cohen if there's anything he'd like to convey to Trump via Giuliani.

gtconway3dg

4m

Another tense moment:

Q: You felt like you had been played by Cohen?

A: You want me to explain it?

Q: No thanks. You wanted to get paid right?

A: No.

Q: You wanted to—

A: —so you do want me to explain it?

Merchan tells Costello there's a pending question.

gtconway3dg

2m

More emails from Costello to Cohen—it's a full court press. He talks about the liberal media—"They want you to cave. They want you to fail"—and tries to convince Cohen to talk to him.

This is the alleged "pressure campaign" that Cohen spoke about.

gtconway3dg

1m

HOFFINGER: In 06/2018 you were angry that Cohen was playing you?

COSTELLO: Angry? No, that's the wrong word.

HOFFINGER: Didn't you believe he was also playing Pres Trump?

COSTELLO: No I don't think that's correct.

gtconway3dg

1m

Hoffinger asks about the question yesterday to Costello about whose interests he re had in mind (Costello said Cohen's), so she offers 512H—Costello forwarded a Cohen text (abt how he finished doc review and then met with counsel) to Citron, it reads: "he continues to slow play us and the president...what should I say to this asshole? he's playing with the most powerful man on the planet"

HOFFINGER: That email speaks for itself does it not?

COSTELLO: It does.

gtconway3dg

1m

HOFFINGER: You lost control of Cohen, correct?

After some back and forth...

COSTELLO: No, I answered no.

A: Did you lose control when he pled guilty?

A: I didn't have control when he pled guilty.

Q: Do you have any animosity toward Cohen?

A: No

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gtconway3

2m pre-9:49 AM 5/21/2024

Hoffinger shows the jury the 4/21 email telling Cohen he has "friends in high places," meaning of course the defendant.

So stuff of the defense to put Costello on. It's a gift to the prosecution, which now gets to rehash Trump & Co.'s mobster-like behavior.

gtconway3dg

1m pre-9:44 AM 5/21/2024

via

@kaitlancollins

- Former President Trump outside the courtroom: "We'll be resting pretty quickly, meaning resting the case. I won't be resting. I don't rest. I'd like to rest sometimes, but I don't get to rest."

gtconway3dg

2m

via

@aaronblakewp

- Trump shortly ago: "You saw what happened to a highly respected lawyer today, Bob Costello. Wow."

Costello is a witness.

Trump's gag order bars him from "making ... public statements about known or reasonably foreseeable witnesses."

katiephang

1m pre-9:47 AM 5/21/2024

PEOPLE'S 205 IN EVIDENCE

Email from COSTELLO to COHEN-

"I spoke with Rudy, very very positive, you are "loved." If you want to call me I will give you the details...They said they they are in our corner.

"Sleep well tonight, you have friends in high places"

HOFFINGER: By "friends in high places" you were referring to Pres Trump.?

COSTELLO: "Friends in high places definitely refers to President Trump. Yes."

=====snark

bidenharrishq

8m pre-9:40 AM 5/21/2024

Q: Why did you post an ad calling for a "UNIFIED REICH" in a second term, echoing Nazi Germany?

Trump: *ignores and walks away*

bidenharrishq

8m

A feeble and sleepy Trump complains that he has to wake up early to sit in a “very cold” courtroom

amy_siskind

9m pre-8:33 AM 5/21/2024

Trump Media reported a NET LOSS of \$327.6 MILLION, with revenue at \$770.5 THOUSAND in its first fiscal quarter. Will delay reporting quarterly results while it hires a new auditor.

womp womp.

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griffinkyle

47m

Biden-Harris 2024 Spokesperson James Singer:

"America, stop scrolling and pay attention. Donald Trump is not playing games; he is telling America exactly what he intends to do if he regains power: rule as a dictator over a 'unified reich.' Parroting 'Mein Kampf' while you warn of a bloodbath if you lose is the type of unhinged behavior you get from a guy who knows that democracy continues to reject his extreme vision of chaos, division, and violence."

griffinkyle

53m

A real story in 2024:

A new video posted to Trump's social account includes references to a "unified Reich" among hypothetical news headlines if he wins the election in November. [apnews.com/artic...](https://apnews.com/article...)

griffinkyle

15h

Judge Merchan asks for the jury to step out of the courtroom to admonish defense witness Robert Costello, saying he wants to discuss proper decorum. "If you don't like my ruling, you don't say, 'Jeez,'" Merchan says, adding Costello can't strike anything because the judge is the only person who can strike something.

"You don't give me side eye and you don't roll your eyes."

griffinkyle

16h

Breaking: The prosecution rests in Trump's New York criminal trial.

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maddowmaddow

20h

Trump defense counsel Todd Blanche yells at Michael Cohen for answering "Sure" instead of "Yes or no."

maddowmaddow

21h

just before a ten minute morning break, trump defense counsel todd blanche lets the world know that there is a proposed TV show called "The Fixer" based on Cohen's life... that has not yet been picked up. (call now! operators standing by!)

maddowmaddow

21h

as blanche cross-examination of cohen stretches on, some members of the jury are looking a little glazed over. some still watching blanche intently, but some of them starting to yawn, look around the courtroom.

gtconway3dg

13h

"Costello was sharply rebuked on Monday by the judge overseeing the Manhattan criminal trial against Donald Trump—after the veteran attorney repeatedly showed disrespect for the court's rulings in front of the jury."
law.com/newyo...

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kaitlancollins

13h pre-10:00 AM 5/21/2024

It was the kind of the day that made you wish there were cameras in court. What happened was remarkable, with the judge clearing the courtroom in a dramatic moment to chastise a defense witness — and threaten to strike his entire testimony — after he was rolling his eyes and muttering under his breath at his rulings. I was there and will share my reporting at 9 p.m. ET.
kaitlancollins

14h

What happened inside the courtroom when the press was kicked out as Merchan admonished Costello:

Judge Merchan: "Sir, your conduct is contemptuous right now. I'm putting you on notice that your conduct is contemptuous. If you try to stare me down one more time, I will remove you from the stand. I will strike his entire testimony; do you understand me?"

=====COVID-19 Variant Update - IDSA

As of May 14, 2024, the SARS-CoV-2 Omicron variants JN.1 and a JN.1 descendant, KP.2, have high prevalence in the United States. CDC Nowcast projections estimate KP.2 (also called JN.1.11.1.2), to account for nearly 30% of new COVID-19 illnesses in the U.S. May 14, 2024

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griffinkyle

14h pre-7:35 AM 5/23/2024

Nikki Haley just said she's voting for Trump.
542 likes, 437 comments

keithedwards

13h

Nikki Haley on 2-14-2024: "Trump is unfit to be president."
Nikki Haley today: "I will be voting for Trump."
what a ghoul.
4.2K likes, 213 comments

keithedwards

1d

Rudy told me to delete the tweet 🤔🤔🤔



Rudy W. Giuliani ✓

@RudyGiuliani

Follow

...

Keith, delete this. The reporter who put out the tweet deleted it because it's false. Mayor Giuliani survived prostate cancer and now comforts others facing cancer (without fanfare).

Alsp—Nice joke about 9/11 victims, you degenerate, vile, scumbag.

- Ted w/ Mayor Giuliani



Keith Edwards ✓ @keithedwards · 3h

Oh my. Rudy Giuliani forgot to turn off his zoom mic when he went to go pee during his arraignment

twitter.com/wsteaks/status...

[Show this thread](#)

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Oh my. Rudy Giuliani forgot to turn off his zoom mic when he went to go pee during his arraignment

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1d

It's honestly kinda soothing if you don't know what it is

Was Rudy Giuliani Peeing During His Arraignment?

The Daily Beast

<https://www.thedailybeast.com/was-rudy-giuliani-peein...>

1 day ago — Was Rudy Giuliani Peeing During His Arraignment? You Be the Judge! MAKING A SPLASH. The Daily Beast conducts an in-depth leak investigation ...

Rudy Giuliani Forgot to Turn Off Mic While Going to Bathroom

New York Magazine

<https://nymag.com/intelligencer/article/rudy-giulia...>

2 days ago — Rudy Giuliani forgot to turn off his zoom mic when he went to go pee during his arraignment pic.twitter.com/ION9InoAIV. — Keith Edwards ...

For those of you who understandably choose not to watch this video, Giuliani signs off from the call just before you can hear a stream of liquid hitting water.

"Is that me?" Giuliani asks. The host of the call answers in the affirmative.

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gtconway3dg

1d

via

@acynig

Trump: The judge hates Donald Trump. Take a look at him. Take a look at where he comes from

gtconway3dg

1d

let's not forget that Hicks's testimony established that Trump knew about the illegal and undisclosed contribution, and knew that his reimbursement of Cohen was not a payment for legal services - the intent is there - he even signed the checks

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via Erik Uebelacker - Trump just said in the hallway that, had he testified, we would have been "impressed" with what he had to say, "but I'm gagged."

gtconway3dg

1d

via **Tyler McBrien** - We're back in the courtroom for the charging conference Merchan asks about falsifying biz records in the first degree, which requires

intent to defraud that includes intent to commit another crime—Colangelo says the statute could have said "criminal means" but it didn't. It says "unlawful means."

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Colangelo argues that the object crime doesn't need to be completed and that prosecution cited cases where the defendant was acquitted with the object crime.

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1d

@**bradmossesq**

: "Reminder that the MAL docs case was and will always have been the cleanest, most straightforward criminal prosecution of the four against the former president.

That the public won't see it brought to fruition before they go to the voting booth is a stain on the judicial system."

gtconway3dg

1d

via

@**kaitlancollins**

- Rudy Giuliani and 10 others have just pleaded not guilty in Arizona court.

gtconway3dg

1d

Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes found Rudy Giualini to serve him, three weeks after he was indicted, which made him the last of the 18 defendants to be served. "As you know, he does a lot of podcasting...We found him through his livestreams."

gtconway3dg

1d

JUST IN via

@**kyledcheney**

: Unsealed filing in Trump Florida case says there were two rounds of classified documents discovered at Mar-a-Lago *after* the FBI search. t.co/Qsz6x...

gtconway3dg

1d

Judge HOWELL also found last year that prosecutors provided sufficient evidence that Trump sought to hide classified documents from prosecutors. It was part of her ruling granting crime-fraud exception to attorney-client privilege.

gtconway3dg

1d

via Jose Pagliery - In the end, Donald Trump didn't testify at his own trial--

instead going with a MAGA lawyer who put on a lackluster performance that went down in flames.

thedailybeast.com/maga...

MAGA Lawyer Gets Dismantled by His Own Damning Trump Emails

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MAGA Lawyer Gets Dismantled by His Own Damning Trump Emails

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1d

@weissmann11

: "The final Trump trial witness, Costello, called by Trump:

The series of emails by/to/with Costello, cited below, may well be viewed by the jury as crystal clear, classic, mob tactics to thwart cooperation with law enforcement and keep Cohen inside the tent."

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gtconway3dg

1d

@ericcolumbus2023

: "Two thoughts on this typically excellent

@qjurecic

88lawfare piece.

First, one reason the feds may have dropped it was simply because Trump had subsequently done a lot worse stuff that might warrant criminal investigation. Like fraudulently trying to overturn a election.

SDNY might have felt, or might have been told to feel, that there was no benefit to pursuing Trump for something from 2016 when he had done far worse far more recently. ...

qjurecic

2d

lawfaremedia.org

Why Did Federal Prosecutors Drop Trump's Hush Money Case?

gtconway3dg

1d

... Second, one addendum to

@qjurecic

's discussion of how NY state law in some ways makes it easier to make out an election violation than federal law. As Quinta notes, 175.10 requires proof only of "intent to . . . conceal" a second offense.

NY Election Law 17-152 (quoted in the screenshot) requires only that the defendant have used "unlawful means" -- which probably need not be criminal! Hence a civil violation of FECA would do. ...

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griffinkyle

3m pre-5/24/24 9:39AM

New York's Appellate Division has upheld Judge Juan Merchan's decision not to recuse himself from Trump's criminal trial case.

The panel of judges ruled that Trump failed to prove the judge overstepped his authority by denying a defense motion for recusal.

griffinkyle

12h

In between Mar-a-Lago and Doral, George Conway has put up a billboard that reads: 'Vote For Joe Not The Psycho.'

@MSNBC

griffinkyle

20h

Leader Jeffries: "Samuel Alito and Clarence Thomas are totally out of control. These individuals continue to detonate the credibility of the United States Supreme Court. In the case of Samuel Alito, he definitively needs to recuse himself from any matter pending before the United States Supreme Court that has to do with the January 6 violent insurrection. He should have no part of it."

griffinkyle

23h

In a 6-3 decision, the conservative Supreme Court just reversed a lower court ruling finding that South Carolina's congressional map was racially gerrymandered.

All three liberal justices dissented.

Flag: Clarence Thomas, in a concurring opinion, says federal courts should no longer hear racial gerrymandering claims: "I write separately to address whether our voting-rights precedents are faithful to the Constitution."

michlcnazz

23h

WOW!! He really is an Uncle Tom isn't he?

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Satire

<https://www.momsforliberties.com/>

About Us

We are an extremist organization that prides itself on making sure that freedom of speech and choice only applies to those who believe gays are demonic, Hitler actually wasn't that bad so Jews should stop overreacting, any transgender are considered trash and need to be disposed of, current teachers in this society should be under the control of fascists who know better, and that any teachers who disobey deserve to be handled by any means necessary and this includes physical control.

Tiffany Justice

Co-Founder

Tiffany comes from a broken home where the only books she was allowed to read growing up were The Bible, Curious George Goes to Jail, How to Skin A Jew, and SuperFudge.

<https://www.defascist24.com/about>

About Me

Hello America. Let me start by saying that I'm the worst candidate for president that you could possibly imagine.

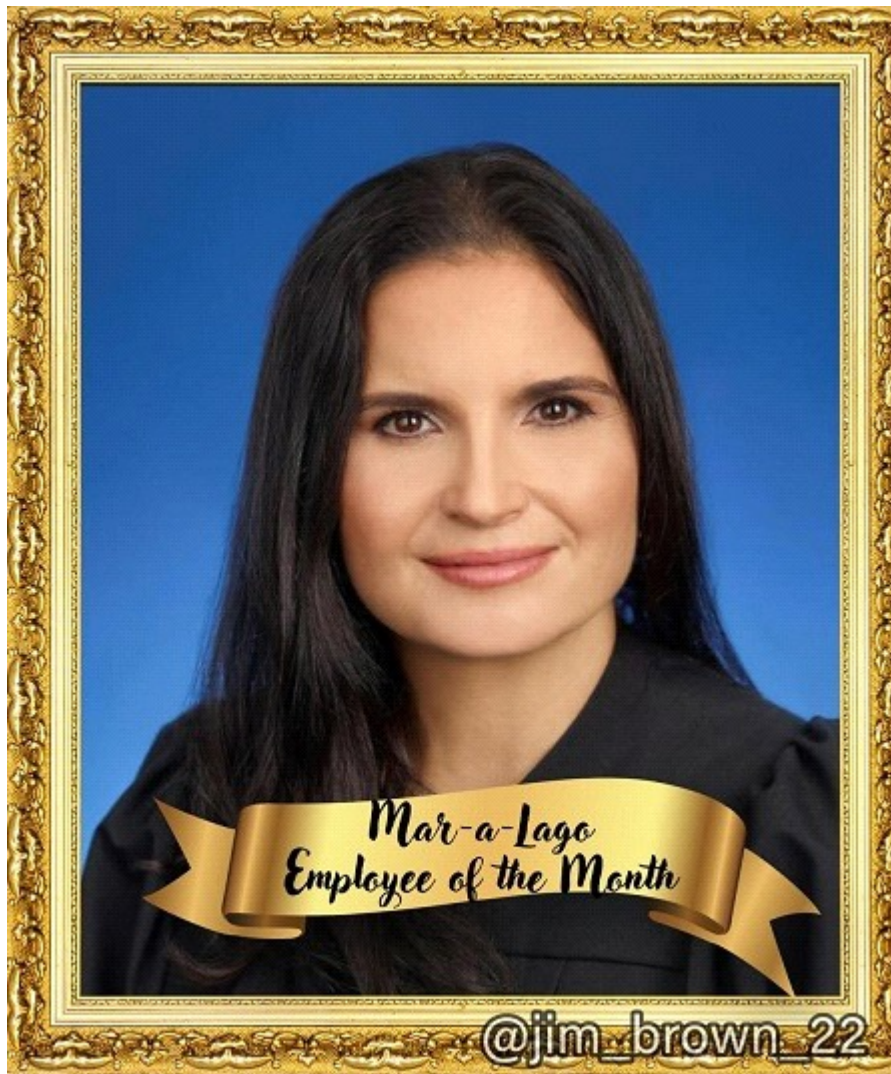
Under fascism, we will have a strong, centralized government that can make the tough decisions necessary to keep our country safe. Some people might call fascism oppressive or authoritarian, but that's just a smear campaign by the liberals and the globalists. They want you to believe that fascism is evil. I urge you to embrace fascism. Eradicate the Gays, Liberals, Mexicans, Blacks, Women that make their own decisions, and anyone in the media who asks tough questions.

=====re false prophets:

St. Matthew 7:15-20; 24:3-5, 11.

The Acts 13:6-10; 1 John 4:1

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gtconway3dg

9h pre-5/25/24

@weissmann11

: "Smart move by Smith as Judge Cannon won't be likely to grant the gag order, will show her patent bias, and Smith can then appeal to the 11th Circuit."

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9h

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9h

NEW via

@annabower

: Special counsel Jack Smith asks Judge Cannon to modify Trump's conditions of release to bar him from making statements that pose a significant danger to law enforcement agents in the classified docs case.

📄:

t.co/4x2ER...

gtconway3dg

9h

Prosecutors say the modification is necessary because of "intentionally false and inflammatory" statements made by Trump that "distort the circumstances" of the FBI's search at Mar-a-Lago and created a "misleading" impression of the conduct of law enforcement officers.

weissmann11

9h

HYPOCRISY ALERT: Trump is right now telling the Supreme Court that a president should be able legally to assassinate his political opponents; but now finds appalling the (false) claim that the current president could possibly do that to him.

weissmann11

2d

A PRIMER ON what the Trump jury can do as to the 34 counts - which means 34 verdicts:

- convict on all counts (takes all 12 jurors)
- acquit on all counts (takes all 12)
- hang on all counts (12 don't agree on any count)
- acquit on some, hang on the rest (split verdict)
- convict on some (e.g. the checks Trump signed) and hang or acquit on the rest

Finally: Hung counts can be retried. Acquitted counts are final. Convicted counts can be appealed by Trump.

-----meanwhile, in DC

griffinkyle

17h

New: Senate Judiciary Chair Dick Durbin and Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse are requesting a meeting with Chief Justice John Roberts to discuss "the Supreme Court's worsening ethics crisis" and have sent a letter imploring Roberts to "take appropriate steps" to ensure Samuel Alito recuses himself from 2020 election and Jan. 6 cases.

marks.justice

9h

Ooooh SNAP! We have already reached the arch of the show where the powerful have whipped out a Sternly Worded Letter!

The tension is mounting

smooch_thesimplelife

14h

Throw Thomas in there, neither should be sitting in on that case because they're both complicit.

jill.d.lefkowitz

2h

Roberts doesn't give a shit. We need action through subpoenas! The Senate has not only the power to subpoena Thomas, Alito, his wife, Leonard Leo and Roberts.. they also have the power of the purse and can hold back funds for SCOTUS!

(Leonard Anthony Leo is an American lawyer and conservative legal activist. He was the longtime vice president of the Federalist Society)

-----meanwhile, in GA

griffinkyle

18h

The Fulton County District Attorney's Office says it's appealing Judge Scott McAfee's order that dismissed six counts from the 2020 election interference indictment — including three of Trump's charges.

=====Sadly, elsewhere

A young couple from the U.S. were among 3 missionaries killed in Haiti violence

MAY 25, 2024 2:23 AM ET

By The Associated Press

Davy and Natalie Lloyd were among three missionaries killed in Haiti after being ambushed at the Port-au-Prince, officials with the mission organization said Friday, May 24, 2024. The third victim was Jude Montis, who was the country's director of Missions In Haiti Inc. Hannah Cornett, Davy Lloyd's sister, told the AP that her brother was 23 years old and Natalie Lloyd was 21. They were going to celebrate their two-year anniversary in June and his birthday in early July.

The posting said Davy Lloyd was taken to a house, where he was tied up and beaten. Another gang showed up as a shooting broke out. (source: KOCO News, Okla.)

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ronaldfilipkowski

1h pre-10:29 AM 5/25/2024

The best thing about Twitter is you are subject to the daily whims and wishes of a drug addled, immature, right-wing megalomaniac oligarch who grew up in apartheid South Africa.

ronaldfilipkowski

13h

Jack Smith filed for a gag order tonight after Trump falsely accused FBI agents who executed the search warrant at Mar-a-Lago of plotting to assassinate him. meidasnews.com/news...

ronaldfilipkowski

13h

Trump is scheduled to speak to the Libertarian National Convention tomorrow. Tonight a guy makes a motion to "tell Trump to go f*ck himself" and the crowd goes wild and chants "f*ck Donald Trump!"

arekskibicki

13h

Can't wait till Donald starts to prattle in front of this audience.

keepmelearning

8h

It should go over like a lead balloon. ☐

=====Jack the lad

gtconway3

2m

'Smart move': Legal experts say new Jack Smith filing will 'highlight Judge Cannon's bias'

rawstory.com/jack...

gtconway3

8h

"This really puts Judge Cannon on the spot. This woman has completely shown an absolute bias against the government from Day One in multiple ways. She's dragging her feet on this case. And if she doesn't do something about this, I think the #SpecialCounsel may use this as the opportunity to try to get the 11th Circuit to get rid of her."

marymckay1976

2h

Why didn't he do it months ago? She is biased, incompetent, or both.

edwarddelaney10

2h

The bar is extremely high to get a judge removed. Also, Cannon has been coached by someone, doing all her "paperless orders" that don't allow for a

challenge because there's no cited case law you can argue against.

lonewolfmike1

7h

Cannon needs to be dragged before the 11th Circuit and Removed from the Documents case Forever. She is completely in Donnie's pocket and has shown it over and over again.

tierneytammy

2h

Follow the money.

edwarddelaney10

2h

Once the documents trial is over (hopefully with a different judge), I wonder if they might look into that. Federal judges can be charged with crimes.

eldredandkuqui

7h

This stinks to high heaven☹. She's clearly been following instructions from GOP higher ups who don't want this seeing the light of day. She'll step down rather than get fired so she retains her Judge title and can continue as a lawyer. If she lands a quiet, cushy job at the FedSoc or similar earning \$\$\$ doing whatever you'll know she was bought.

=====

gtconway3

8h

"This message is going out to tens of millions of people who are on the campaign mailing list. I have the email right here. 'I nearly escaped death' from Donald Trump."

=====ex-editor Chicago Tribune and Sun-Times



Asha Rangappa ✓
@AshaRangappa_



DTwyman @dtwyman · 9h

Replying to @AWeissmann_ and
@AshaRangappa_

Wouldn't it just be a hoot if Samuel Alito had recently published an opinion in which he expressed his belief about flags & whether people viewing them would naturally assume the flag conveyed a message on the owner's behalf.....

ALITO, J., concurring in judgment

would not be true if “a town created a monument on which all of its residents (or all those meeting some other criterion) could place the name of a person to be honored or some other private message”).

This case exemplifies the point. Governments have long used flags to express government messages, so this factor provides prima facie support for Boston’s position under the Court’s mode of analysis. *Ante*, at 7–9. But on these facts, the history of flags clearly cannot have any bearing on whether the flag displays express the City’s own message. The City put the flagpoles to an unorthodox use—allowing private parties to use the poles to express messages that were not formulated by City officials. Treating this factor as significant in that circumstance loads the dice in favor of the government’s position for no obvious reason.

Now consider the third factor: “the public’s likely perception as to who (the government or a private person) is speaking.” *Ante*, at 6. Our earlier government-speech precedents recognized that “the correct focus” of the government-speech inquiry “is not on whether the . . . reasonable viewer would identify the speech as the government’s,” *Johanns v. Livestock Marketing Assn.*, 544 U. S. 550, 564, n. 7 (2005), and with good reason. Unless the public is assumed to be omniscient, public perception cannot be relevant to whether the government *is* speaking, as opposed merely *appearing* to speak. Focusing on public perception encourages courts to categorize private expression as government speech in circumstances in which the public is liable to misattribute that speech to the government. This case once again provides an apt illustration. As the Court rightly notes, “[a] passerby on Cambridge Street” confronted with a flag flanked by government flags standing just outside the entrance of Boston’s seat of government would likely conclude that all of those flags “conve[y] some message on the

markjacobnews

9m

The Washington Post admits that it has known about the upside-down American flag at Alito's house for THREE YEARS but decided not to publish the fact. WaPo claims it was unclear if the flag display was related to politics. Stunning. And lame. (Gift link) wapo.st/4dS1B...

markjacobnews

6m

Interesting that WaPo released this news on Saturday of Memorial Day weekend — a tactic often employed by politicians to bury unpleasant news.

=====DT vs Libertarians

griffinkyle

1h pre-5/26/24 10 AM

Trump was booed and heckled — several times — during his speech at the Libertarian National Convention:

One member of the crowd shouted, "Lock him up!" and another yelled, "Donald Trump is a threat to democracy!"

Moments later, someone yelled at Trump, "You had your shot!"

Others yelled at Trump, "F--- you" and "You already had four years, you asshole."

ami.l.berger

1h

Trump has done the impossible: made the Libertarians look good

twatzipunter

1h

The way he's trying to play it off as a triumph on TS is hilarious.

thatoneguy2point0

1h

It was the "you should have taken a bullet" for me. ☹️

-----Related threads

aaron.rupar

8m

"Donald Trump's popularity continues to increase" -- Tim Scott at CNN on Trump getting booed at the Libertarian National Convention

demsmight

1d

FREAKING HILARIOUS! Marjorie Taylor Greene gets called “Bleach Blonde, Bad Built, Butch Body” again right to her face by someone at the airport. The woman was too stunned to speak. 😊

jetta_jameson

1d

Priceless ☹️ I absolutely am in LOVE with the woman who did that!

missmichiek

1d

For once her ☹️ is closed

=====Religion today

antifaoperative

5d

Michigan evangelical pastor, Randy Saylor, has been arrested for the rape of a child under the age of 13.

Saylor is the 3rd church leader from Living Word Church to be charged with child sex crime

antifaoperative

5d

Randy Saylor, 71, Living Word Church associate pastor, has been charged w 2nd degree criminal sexual conduct with a person under 13 & 2nd degree criminal sexual conduct with a relationship.(no mugshot yet)

ourmidland.com/news...antifaoperative

5d

Saylor’s son, Brandon, was sentenced to 5-15 years in prison for raping 4 children under the age of 13 in April.

daleross43

5d

Do you know how many evangelical 's have been arrested this year?

antifaoperative

5d

Over 150

davidschroff18

5d

Not a drag queen...?

sprocketblog

5d

Does not look like a drag queen or trans man

j4r3dh4wth0rn3

5d

Old white man to me!

antifaoperative

5d

Georgia baptist youth pastor, Christopher Coddington, has been sentenced to 19 years in prison for raping two 10 year old children who attended his church.

Christopher Matthew Coddington, 44, former youth pastor of Cassville Baptist Church in Cartersville, pled guilty to 2 counts of felony child molestation & 1 count of sodomy. Coddington will be sentenced to 60 years of probation & serve up to 19 years in prison.

debibg

04/26/2024

I'm beginning to think "youth pastor" is a code word for predator.

NotaDragQueen

carlawalsh420

04/26/2024

So horrid, a world of lifelong hurt he caused, hope the sentence reflects that.

kellydesmarais6975

04/26/2024

You know what he isn't? A drag queen!

antifaoperative

2d

South Carolina baptist pastor, missionary & high school teacher, Richard Wilson, has been arrested for possessing & distributing images of little girls being sexually abused.

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2d

Charles Richard Wilson, 58, former Langley First Baptist Church & Oakwood Baptist Church lead pastor & North Augusta High School teacher, has been charged w 5 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor. Bond is 4k for each count.

Three men linked to Texas A&M's Chi Alpha ministries, Assemblies of God, have been arrested for child sex

crimes.<https://www.threads.net/@antifaoperative/post/C7UhsaJuE4F>

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2d

Ryan Hoffart, 25, has been charged w indecency with a child exposure and one charge of indecency with a child sexual contact, each comes with a 50k bond.

[kxxv.com/news...](https://www.kxxv.com/news...)

antifaoperative

2d

Otto Randolph, 30, & William Johnson, 23, have been charged w one count of indecency with a child exposure with a \$25,000 bond each.

sandrabull993

2d

That's what they do in Texas shooting kids in schools drowning immigrants at the border or sexually assaulting them in church

cinkelr57

2d

Just fines? No jail time? Oh wait, this is in Texas.□

snowmath

2d

If the children they molested are pregnant you can be sure TX will throw the book at them and anyone who helped them if they dare abort that fetus.

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2d

Alabama evangelical church leader, Mark Sellers, has been arrested for sending sexually explicit text messages to a child who attended his church.

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05/17/2024

Kansas pastor, William Dodd, has been sentenced to over 27 years in prison for raping a 13 year old girl who attended his church.

Georgia church volunteer & christian school teacher, Christian Baumgarth, has been federally indicted for distributing & possessing images of children under the age of 12 being sexually abused.

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Missouri deputy sheriff, school resource officer & DARE officer, Darrin Skinner, who was arrested last year for possessing images of children under the age of 12 being sexually abused, has been federally indicted on new child sex crime charges.

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05/15/2024

Angela Klickner, 31, Landmark Baptist Church volunteer, has been charged w 10 counts of sexual assault on a child by an adult in a position of trust with a pattern of abuse, 2 counts of obscenity & 1 count of criminal extortion.

kjct8.com/2024...antifaoperative

05/14/2024

Jared Michael Lemon, 43, former active-duty officer of the U.S. Capitol Police Department, has been convicted of 5 counts of possessing child sexual abuse material. He faces up to 25 years in prison.

jennsearson

05/14/2024

Where was he on J6?

mike5311951

05/14/2024

Helping MAGA

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05/15/2024

□

mandy5083

05/15/2024

Another one neither a drag queen, a librarian, an immigrant.

shawnbryant

05/14/2024

I'm sure the GOP is already prepping him to run for office.

=====meanwhile, in DC

griffinkyle

9m

Senate Finance chair Ron Wyden and Senate Budget chair Sheldon Whitehouse are investigating Trump's request that oil companies raise \$1 billion in campaign cash and, in return, he would cut a "deal" on industry taxes and regulations.

The Democrats have asked eight energy companies and an industry lobbying group for any materials given to attendees at the event where Trump made this ask.

the_danielray

7m

It's called bribery and it's another law he just broke, probably without consequences.

=====M
emorial Day



adam_kinzinger

https://www.threads.net/@adam_kinzinger/post/C7XpZcsRbuN

1d

This Memorial Day weekend, I'm honoring my friend, Capt Andreas O'Keeffe, KIA in Iraq, 15 March 2018

klrh421

18h

Thank you for your service, you are a good man. I remember my cousin Capt. Scott Rice, USMC.

Isarahpeters

1d

For my Uncle Artie who fought in WW2 in Italy , against Mussolini and fascism. The stories he told his sister, my mom ,when he returned were hair raising.

joni7733

22h

My Ex and my 2 Grandsons--

_dclaudio

18h

My buddy Bob Preston from Boston. We separated in a fire fight. Thats the

last time I saw him alive 1968 yet offensive. He was only 20 years old on his second tour. The only family he had was a sister. ☹always think of him ☐☐

mourningheartartbychris

13h

I'm honoring my son. Lost his battle at home after yr 5, operation enduring freedom. His name is handwritten on a memorial wall because he didn't die in combat. He was one of the 22 a day who lose their battle at home after the trauma they sustained in combat. 9/20/14. F25 I'm writing to encourage you to please band together with others in DC who care about Veterans and their families and prevent this destruction of our democracy ☐ Wish you would consider running for a higher office! ☺

=====Assets are forever

mosseri (head of Instagram and Threads)

<https://www.threads.net/@mosseri/post/C7ZcKpCRPhE>

1d pre-9:07 AM 5/27/2024

Just to clarify, and this is on me for not being specific enough in my language historically, we're not trying to avoid being a place for any news. News about sports, music, fashion, culture is something we're actively pursuing. Political news is the topic where we're looking to be more careful. Politics is already very much on threads, and that's okay, we're just not looking to amplify it.

gnomeldy

13h

I'm here for political content. The country is on fire, & that's your take? Very disappointing.

dyzeinyourhouse

32m

Exactly

esgpdx

14h

Wow, what a HUGE mistake. Most of us arrived here after opting off that other platform, specifically looking to read, engage and amplify political news. BTW sports, music, fashion & culture are intrinsically linked to politics today. (And what's the value prop for Threads if you're going to make it "lite" and indistinguishable from Facebook and Instagram? Why'd you bother?)

thefairiesnest

15h

I'm here for breaking news and politics. How about you get rid of the pot bots and spam and Stop being a gatekeeper to the things we actually want.

ohffsct

2h

☐

kristivandenbosch

16h

I am literally here *only* for the journalists - I left X for all the reasons they did, and want to provide them with the same attention and amplification they deserve in bringing us news and points of view we desperately need, and the MSM isn't providing. Please don't throttle political conversation on here (because we know what "not looking to amplify" actually means) - you cannot distinguish between the political and the cultural, nor is it your job to decide that distinction.

carolw7777

17h

The whole

Point is to get breaking news. That is generally going to be about political topics.

that's WHY WE SIGNED UP

itsbrilliant

17h

This platform exploded in users mostly due to fed-up Twitter-ites tired of Elon censoring and blocking news, formerly the best place to get breaking information. NOW you decide you don't want to help them either. That is weird and a little suspect. Please allow journalists to flourish here.

dr.**andrealove**

18h

But "political" includes science and health topics - which you're suppressing when credible, and yet, you're amplifying misinformation and accounts that propagate and profit off of pseudoscience. Make that make sense

@mosseri

dirktherabbit

19h

You are making it difficult for those of us who left Twitter to stay.

Already I see plenty of folk who dipped their toes in the threads water back over on Musk-chat.

I get it, you want us to talk about our hobbies, so you can monetize that info.

But we're not suddenly going to riff with you about the latest celebrity gossip. Please stop trying to make it happen, you'll just chase us away.

Remember, many of the users you attracted wanted a saner alternative to X.

Not a text version of Insta

cielwilliams

20h

So, zuck is over correcting for having been complacent about Russian interference in our election in 2016 by adopting an anti political news stance when our country is under attack from within by right wing extremists?

themightymiket

20h

Stop suppressing political speech!!! Uggghh. They need to fire you.

michellelovesminis

11h

He's doing what Zuck wants

always.work.on.your.game

20h

Hey

@mosseri

Either you have an algorithm that works for all subjects or you don't. Say that. What is the definition of "more careful"? It sounds like throttling. There shouldn't be a downplay on a subject you don't want to amplify. Make it so the people who want to use your platform to share information can do so under the rules and those who want to interact can find this information and interact as they see fit as long as it follows the guidelines of the app.

boomler35

20h

Ok so is LGBTQ people can't talk about things that effect them? And we can't mention that coco Chanel was a n*zi collaborator? Got it.

(True story on that last one, yall removed a simple post acknowledging the history of coco Chanel)

=====via keith

keithedwards

16h

Let Mosseri know you're here for political news

mosseri

1d

<https://www.threads.net/@keithedwards/post/C7clcFlu0NP>

utexjim

13h

@mosseri

I agree with

@keithedwards

that political news is important, especially during any election year.

acrojack1

15h

I'm here for political news, sir. And world events. Because Twitter is a fascist hellscape

1elizabeth_jacobs

12h

Same

juneblender

15h

Absolutely. There's nothing more important than political news. I came here to replace the bird site because I wanted to learn about politics without promoting Nazis.

suezq0805

9h

@mosseri

I'm here for the political news

=====back to NYC

ecmclaughlin

9m

This would also seem to help the prosecution. [re innercitypressinsta's below post]

And now we're on a break.

innercitypressinsta

11m pre-11:47 AM 5/28/2024

Trump's lawyer Blanche: Davidson did this to others - Lindsay Lohan, Charlie Sheen.

Here's the tape: after the election We lose all f*cking leverage, so settle this f*cking

case now! What you have here-

Prosecutor: Objection!

Justice Merchan: Sustained.

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gtconway3dg

16m

NEWS via

@kyledcheney

: Washington, D.C.'s liberal bent does not automatically mean its juries are biased against Jan. 6 defendants, a unanimous appeals court — including two Trump appointees — has ruled.
politico.com/news...

gtconway3dg

4m pre-11:20 AM 5/28/2024

JUST IN via

@kyledcheney

: Judge CANNON has denied Jack Smith's gag order request in FL, saying prosecutors' failure to confer with defense before filing it was "wholly lacking in substance and professional courtesy."

-----backstory:

whitepatrickdavid

4m

Can her denial be used as a reason to have the 11th Circuit consider bouncing her from the case?

bethfiegerfalk

2m

Apparently, yep! [using below comment by Weissmann 3 days ago as an example:]

weissmann11

3d

Smart move by Smith as Cannon won't likely grant the gag order and Smith can then appeal to the 11th Circuit, which has reversed her 2x already.

muellershewrote

3d

BREAKING: Jack Smith asks Judge Cannon to MODIFY trump's bail conditions based on his assassination remarks. My latest: open.substack.com/pub/m...

=====re DeNiro vs DT

gtconway3dg

16m

via

@**acynig**

De Niro: It is a coward's violence. You think trump ever threw a punch himself? Or took one? He hid in the White House bunker with protestors outside. He directs the mob to do his dirty work for him.

amystrawberry9

11m

De Niro is a hero.

the_danielray

8m

Even when Robert De Niro isn't acting, he still nails it.

bahadaman

9m

This is the most accurate and honest reporting Faux News has done since its inception.

jamesdeanii3

10m

The fact this is on fauxwow.

griffinkyle

16m

At the end of Robert De Niro's remarks outside the courthouse, a Trump supporter called Harry Dunn and Michael Fanone, who were beside De Niro, "traitors."

De Niro shot back: "They stood there. They didn't have to. They stood there and fought for us. They fought for you, buddy. You're able to stand right here."

"They are the true heroes. I'm honored to be with these two heroes today."

the_danielray

13m

Damn! Imagine being told politely to fuck off by Robert DE Niro.

=====jan6 losers

gtconway3dg

5m

BREAKING via

@kyledcheney

: A federal appeals court panel — including two of Donald Trump's appointees —

has **rejected** a Jan. 6 defendant's claim that jurors were biased against him because of politics.

documentcloud.org/docum...

gtconway3dg

6m pre-10:48 AM 5/28/2024

@**weissmann11**

: "Blanche says all political campaigns are conspiracies to win.

National Enquirer had been catching and killing stories for decades, for

Trump and many

other people. nothing illegal about that. It's how you try to win elections.

Working with the

media is all that happened, "done all the time."

My take: This is the normalization of crime- the corruption of the 4th estate by Trump and Pecker."

griffinkyle

4m

Biden campaign members have arrived outside the courthouse with Robert De Niro and Capitol Police Officer Harry Dunn.

upstatenydemocrat

1m

Trump supporter attacked Dunn and Fanone and De Niro put the arse in his place

m_lemon_lamont

1m

It was beautiful

griffinkyle

45m

Judge Merchan to jurors before closing arguments: "You are the finders of fact, and it is for you and for you alone to determine the facts from the evidence."

He reminded the jury that the "lawyers are not witnesses," and nothing in their summations constitutes "evidence."

"You and you alone are the judges of the facts in this case."

=====social media censorship of politics

keithedwards

18h

As far as I know, politics is the only topic that is being actively hidden from users?

You have to *opt-in* to get "political" content (they still haven't defined what that means yet!) — and they decided to opt-out everyone from getting it, without notifying them.

So, yes, they are "downgrading" political news.

philo_of_alexan

18h

Threads algorithm is treating political posts differently. If they weren't, why even mention it.

The algorithm determines what posts are in my feed. If the algorithm "avoids recommending" political content, it is being downgraded.

As you say the question remains: what is political content?

I suspect it is based on keywords and that Meta doesn't know anything more about how the algorithm works than that.

gainesm

17h

Not just political content, but also current cultural event type content which they deem controversial using undisclosed criteria.

philo_of_alexan

17h

Exactly. Is a post about health insurance political? How about prices for consumer goods? How about technology?

Maybe yes maybe no, but it would be nice to know what the rules of the game are. Meta isn't good at disclosing anything

azbloodstock

17h

I wish the app stores enforced a policy of making them define changes to each version.

=====Pope Frank Fail

Pope apologizes after being quoted using vulgar term about gays regarding church ban on gay priests

By Associated Press [Vatican City](#)

PUBLISHED 9:50 AM ET May 28, 2024

Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni issued a statement acknowledging the

media storm that erupted about Francis' comments, which were delivered behind closed doors to Italian bishops on May 20.

Italian media on Monday had quoted unnamed Italian bishops in reporting that Francis jokingly used the term "faggotness" while speaking in Italian during the encounter. He had used the term in reaffirming the Vatican's ban on allowing gay men to enter seminaries and be ordained priests.

Bruni said Francis was aware of the reports and recalled that the Argentine pope, who has made outreach to LGBTQ+ Catholics a hallmark of his papacy, has long insisted there was "room for everyone" in the Catholic Church.

"The pope never intended to offend or express himself in homophobic terms, and he extends his apologies to those who were offended by the use of a term that was reported by others," Bruni said.

=====re dt rant on Memorial Day



Donald J. Trump ✓

@realDonaldTrump

Happy Memorial Day to All, including the Human Scum that is working so hard to destroy our Once Great Country, & to the Radical Left, Trump Hating Federal Judge in New York that presided over, get this, TWO separate trials, that awarded a woman, who I never met before (a quick handshake at a celebrity event, 25 years ago, doesn't count!), 91 MILLION DOLLARS for "DEFAMATION." She didn't know when the so-called event took place - sometime in the 1990's - never filed a police report, didn't have to produce the "dress" that she threatened me with (it showed negative!), & sung my praises in the first half of her CNN Interview with Alison Cooper, but changed her tune in the second half - Gee, I wonder why (UNDER APPEAL!)? The Rape charge was dropped by a jury! Or Arthur Engoron, the N.Y. State Wacko Judge who fined me almost 500 Million Dollars (UNDER APPEAL) for DOING NOTHING WRONG, used a Statute that has never been used before, gave me NO JURY, Mar-a-Lago at \$18,000,000 - Now for Merchan!

francisfordcopulate

22h

alison cooper?

gracefullyletgo

22h

I'm surprised he didn't say Alice Cooper.

francisfordcopulate

22h

Guess he meant Anderson?

bluelotusbracelets

22h

Totally gay bashing.

bluelotusbracelets

22h

Gay slur.

francisfordcopulate

22h

OH!!! You are probably right!!! Disgusting!!!

boolayboo27

22h

"Happy Memorial Day" is Not and Never has been a thing. It is a solemn day but a draft dodger who slanders the military wouldn't know the first thing about that.

montreal_gal

22h

88realdonaldtrump needs to make EVERYTHING about him!!!

He can't even Honors those who REALLY sacrificed everything to guarantee our freedom and protect Democracy.

He is a pathetic selfish self centered little man.

His sons are no different!

=====back to NYC

griffinkyle

2h pre-6:55 PM 5/29/2024

Breaking:

Jurors are done with deliberations for the day.

Jurors will resume deliberations Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

griffinkyle

3h

NEW: The jury has submitted a note that includes four requests related to testimony:

- David Pecker's testimony regarding the phone conversation with Trump while Pecker was in the investor meeting
- Pecker's testimony regarding life rights for Karen McDougal
- Pecker's testimony regarding the Trump Tower meeting
- Michael Cohen's testimony regarding the Trump Tower meeting

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gtconway3dg

3h

via

@kfaulders

- The jury is asking for readbacks of David Pecker's testimony about the phone convo w/ Trump, Pecker's testimony about decision about the assignment of McDougal's life rights, Pecker's testimony about Trump Tower meeting & Cohen testimony about that meeting

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jojo.fromjerz

1h

Thanks to Stormy, we know Trump isn't hung. Here's hoping his jury isn't either

=====

hailinthedeepdarkblue

1h

I wonder if she scrubbed herself in a bath of pure alcohol afterwards...

=====Cruelty

griffinkyle

12h pre-9:09 AM 5/30/2024

NBC News Exclusive:

Just hours after former police officer Michael Fanone called Trump "an authoritarian" with "a violence fetish" outside of the NYC courthouse where Trump's criminal trial is taking place, Fanone's mother was swatted at her home in Virginia. [nbcnews.com/polit...](https://www.nbcnews.com/polit...)

jim_namath

11h

MAGA are some sick fucks.

bluhope16

12h

Wow! What a way to back the blue!

=====Wimp

mosseri

1d

we're not anti-news, we're just not looking to amplify political news. If you follow lots of political accounts, the ranking of posts from those accounts

won't be effected by any of this.

realjuddlegum

10m

Let's be clear: This is absolute BS.

The entire purpose of a platform like Threads is its algorithm. He claims its not suppressing political news, its just amplifying EVERY OTHER KIND OF CONTENT.

That's suppression.

I don't know what's worse: the truth about what they are doing or the fact that they won't own up to it

matthewcookeofficial [film director]

16h

So you only amplify gossip? Politics means the affairs our our cities - the ways we organize ourselves so we can be effective stewards of our lives, from our families to our neighborhoods, nations and the world. Cutting off the news is anti-humanity.

=====Pol's and pundits



keith 'n' kyle, by keithedwards 2024

-----Liberal
<https://www.threads.net/@griffinkyle>

Executive Producer of
@TheWeekendMSNBC

openly gay, politically liberal, generally just gives out headlines with some bias

https://www.threads.net/@amy_siskind

GP of Causeway Investments. Activist and author.

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<https://www.threads.net/@weissmann11>

Andrew Weissmann

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jen - assists george - not a lawyer.

views definitely my own.

She's former-GOP lawyer and political pundit George Conway's asst, appears moderate politically.

Great source for legal news.

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George Conway gtconway3

Contributor, @TheAtlantic

. President, Soc'y for the Rule of Law.

Old-school Republican, anti-Trump

<https://www.threads.net/@katiephang>

Host: @katiephangshow , Saturdays at 12 pm ET on @MSNBC

| Legal Contributor & Correspondent: @NBC and @MSNBC

Relatively moderate - more law-oriented in approach - though socially liberal.

-----Current GOP

<https://www.threads.net/@newtgingrich>

Newt Gingrich

newtgingrich

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Far-right, Trump supporter

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The Gateway Pundit

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The official account of The Gateway Pundit

The Gateway Pundit (TGP) is an American far-right[2] fake news website.[1]

The website is known for publishing falsehoods, hoaxes, and conspiracy theories. Founded in 2004 by Jim Hoft (Wikipedia)

<https://www.threads.net/@covestalling>

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Labeling everything you don't like as "hate speech" or a "conspiracy theory" isn't real. It's a participation trophy.

[example of average Trump supporter]

=====prove it

mediaite

7m

*JUST IN: Former Apprentice Producer Claims Trump Said 'Would America Buy A N***** Winning?' — And It's On Tape*

=====Merlan's boytoy

bidenharrishq

16h

Steve Bannon on Trump's Project 2025: ["]We are on the march, we are taking over institutions and we are going to purge those institutions. We are going to purge it of the weaklings and pencil necks. This is coming, this is going to happen ["]

sharigoggin

15h

Why isn't he in prison yet?

roz_091991

16h

If you thought Trump was dangerous, this menace is positively diabolical. A reuniting of the two of them will be lethal to humanity.

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accountablegop [sample posts]

<https://www.threads.net/@accountablegop>

16h

"I'm a former Trump voter...Trump uses everybody in his arsenal to further his own gains and he really doesn't have a mission or an objective. He just wants to be followed unapologetically and without question."

accountablegop

18h

Marco Rubio in 2016:

"I will make this promise to you today, I will do whatever it takes....Donald Trump, a con artist, will never get control of this party...We cannot allow a con artist to get access to the nuclear codes of the United States of America."

=====George Conway, whose marriage ended over his wife's addiction to power via Trump

gtconway3

14m pre-6:04 PM 5/30/2024

34/34. So much winning.

gtconway3

20m

Justice.

gtconway3

20m

No one should be surprised. It was never a close case.

=====re ad by DT to raise \$\$ for fundraising



invis.ible012

2m

I hope he has the jumbo jet fueled up!

debluckie

11m

The grifter's gotta keep grifting.

m.r.shel

16m

Checkbooks are being pulled out as we speak. MAGA gullibility at its finest.

cuyahoga74

6m

The judge will appreciate that display of remorse at sentencing.

=====re sentencing of DJT



unknown meme-ist's wishful thinking

gtconway3dg

53m

@prof.ryan.goodman

anticipates:

- DA asks for incarceration as sentence.
- Justice Merchan imposes period of incarceration

Factors:

- Gravity of election fraud (Merchan has emphasized it)
- Defendant expresses no remorse
- Defendant's "history and character"

gtconway3dg

15m

per

@prof.ryan.goodman

: Prospect of incarceration as a sentence is also raised by being found guilty on all 34 felony charges.

Biggest factor in Trump's favor:

The rarity of incarceration as a sentence for first time offender of a Class E

Felony.

Another factor that counts toward incarceration:

The many criminal contempt findings (beyond a reasonable doubt) for Defendant's gag order violations.

meidas_societyschild

51m

Oh my God!!!! This is the happiest day America has seen since he came down that tacky gilded escalator.

craig.l.millard

22m

And while he is incarcerated, he would be ineligible to vote in Florida.

mcarr2948

2m

He'll be ineligible to vote in FL until he has met all the terms of his sentencing, including fines. That could take years (unless DeSantis pulls strings to give him special treatment.

=====hillaryous

keithedwards

17m

Lock her up really became lock him up

keithedwards

30m

Me waiting for Hillary Clinton's first post

[photo of anticipatory-looking HC]

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griffinkyle

30m

Biden-Harris 2024 Communications Director Michael Tyler:

"Donald Trump has always mistakenly believed he would never face consequences for breaking the law for his own personal gain. But today's verdict does not change the fact that the American people face a simple reality. There is still only one way to keep Donald Trump out of the Oval Office: at the ballot box. Convicted felon or not, Trump will be the Republican nominee for president."

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lincolnproject.us

10m

Every. Damn. Charge.

nolagreenham

1m

Excuse me while I dance for joy.... ☺☺☺

tigasonlakay

4m

His Home State. No less!!

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tristansnell

11m

Donald Trump now cannot:

- vote
- serve in the military
- get a security clearance
- visit most other foreign countries

Tough to see how he can be president, right?

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repmattgaetz

55m

This verdict is the corrupt result of a corrupt trial, a corrupt judge, and a corrupt DA.

We will stand with President Trump now more than ever to save the country.

ronaldees59

16m

Good luck with your convicted felon presidential candidate!

sandyshaffer775

39m

This is bullshit #Maga ultra Bring on Nov 5 #innocent love my trumpypy ☺



via sandyshaffer775

drkevinjmcgovernpt

30m

Stop posting and do something about it. The GOP weakness is 1000% to blame for all of this. Do you think if the shoe was on the other foot that the

Democrats would let this happen to one of their own not a chance in hell. Talk is cheap. Take action every GOP DA in the country should immediately file charges on any high-ranking Democratic official. Make up a crime, that's what they did for Trump and it worked. The problem is 90% of all Republicans are really Democrats. There are no Democrats.

tattooed_dogma

19m

"make up a crime"? How patriotic of you ☐

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newsmax

7m

House Speaker Mike Johnson blasted the guilty verdict levied against former President Donald Trump on Thursday, calling it a “shameful day in American history.” Read more: bit.ly/3x41S...

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charliekirk1776

 $2m$

MSNBC: "It's a majestic day...miracle is too strong a word...a day for celebration!"

These people are so disgusting.

charliekirk1776

54m

I support Trump MORE after this crap.

We must win.

mofothevandalorian

49m

Traitors always support traitors.

bethesdasucks94

27m

You're a traitor you unpatriotic liberal

mofothevandalorian

1m

God bless America and our legal system which has been found to be healthy
And Trump has been found guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty,
guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty,
guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty,
guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty, guilty! God bless America!

charliekirk1776

56m

██BREAKING: Donald Trump reacts to the Manhattan jury's guilty verdict:

"The real verdict will be November 5th by the people."

"The whole country is being rigged right now. This is being done by the Biden

Administration in order to hurt or wound a political opponent."
"We'll fight to the end and we'll win...this is long from over."

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newsmax

1h

BREAKING NEWS: TRUMP FOUND GUILTY: A Manhattan jury has found former President Donald Trump guilty on all 34 felony charges.

This is a developing story. Watch NEWSMAX LIVE for coverage from the courtroom and post-verdict analysis.

alexis.capellini

42m

Fucking clowns ☐ FJB and the entire Demoncrat party of pedos

oldjmazz

1h

Thank You Democrats for just Guaranteeing Trumps Re-Election in 2024 Presidential Election. Thank You very much. We the MAGA VOTERS can't thank you enough

mcbglen

1h

What bullshit

janiefranie

44m

Grrrrrrrrrr!

adamantuim42

2m

eeeeeeeeaaaaattttttt!

dylan_bob62

1h

Yes, but today it also came out that Trump referred to a black person with a racial slur so republicans will still vote for him.

dankelley455

42m

Lock him up!

cdelarouge574

23m

Here's a novel idea. Let's now convict every Representative and Senator who has used the Sexual Harrassment slush fund to keep their accusers quiet. -

Sorry misspelled novel on last post.-

lilyellen60

1h

Trump. Convicted felon.

hootersmuseum

1h

Sadly, this means we will no longer be able to provide the former president with his tanning sauce.

jackieselfmusic

1h

So sad

drbearce

1h

So wrong

jjamontas

1h

Beyond a reasonable doubt, and a jury of his peers. Deny that one.

=====nyc traffic

griffinkyle

1m

NBC News: Trump's motorcade was seen stuck in traffic on the FDR Drive after it left the courthouse.

Helicopter video from NBC New York showed the vehicles stuck in traffic.

lindalka

2m

Muahahaha

sick_of_it_all_510

2m

I hope all the cars around him are honking!!!

aotpradio

1m

I hope he has to pee

=====lawyertalk


sherrilynifill

3m

Just seeing how much of the commentary & posts I'm reading are focused on protecting the safety of the jurors and the judge's family, and worries about outbreaks of violence, tells its own very chilling story. It is absolutely horrifying that Trump's conviction provokes these fears. It shows how powerfully the spectre of political violence has been introduced into our reality.

=====not bloody likely, kid



keithedwards  19m

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Call me boring, but this is the flag I like. It's a classic.



 230  22  

keithedwards

27m

When is the media going to call on Trump to drop out of the race for the good of the nation?

scaredycat1969

21m

The answer would be never.

shikshot

26m

knowing our media companies, I do not think they will. They want trump bc he brings attention, and attention is money for news networks

robertlandrum1971

17m

Trump would also bring huge corporate tax cuts for the owners of the "liberal media."

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joncooper.us

9h

Serious question: If Trump is found guilty and sentenced to prison, do you

think he'll turn himself in or try to flee the country?

mike.rook.5

8h

I hope he flees the country to Russia where he belongs!!!

cepel4

6h

He won't be sent to prison. We all know he SHOULD be. But he won't.



ibid re source

john.in.chicago

6h

Looooooooooooooooooooo appeals process

bkflower123

5h

If he is found guilty he is literally years down the road from being taken into custody.

He will appeal it all the way to the Supreme Court, while continuing to trash and undermine the very justice system that will enable him to avoid paying for his crimes.

Money talks.

hilomikey_

9h

He'll fight it on appeal and go through years of litigation. Then have charges reduced to misdemeanors to which he'll be too old and senile to understand. Much like his Father who was diagnosed with dementia.

mamared2

8h

IF found guilty he will die of old age before the appeal process runs out.

robmac1223

8h

My hope and I'd be fine with it if he would flew the country and NEVER be allowed to step foot on American soil again.

philo_of_alexan

7h

How long has Bannon been free since he was found guilty? Multiply that by ten and that's how long he will try to stay out of jail.

nancylee47

9h

I think he'll attempt another insurrection

moodyblues1973

9h

This is a given

momcat2525

4h

Yes, November is going to be ugly.

=====Missy Ann's input

Anna Merlan (@**annamerlan**)

X (Twitter)

<https://twitter.com/annamerlan>

Traditionally this would be when most people would like, to go to prison

Posted on X · 2 hours ago

CNN commentator telling us most defendants “shut down” when they hear a verdict. Way ahead of you there baby

Posted on X · 2 hours ago

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